Arafat to head PLO team to summit

BIZERTE, Tunis (A.P.) - Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat will lead the PLO delegation at the Arab summit scheduled to open in Fez. Morocco, on Sept. 6, PLO Political Department head Farouk Kaddoumi said Saturday. Mr. Kaddoumi gave no travel plans for Mr. Arafat. Mr. Kaddoumi will leave soon for Morocco to attend a two-day ministerial session that began Saturday in preparation for the summit, he said.

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Lebanon to request Arabs to secure withdrawal of all foreign troops

600 more PLO men

leave by sea for Syria

Reagan may ease pipeline sanctions

WASHINGTON(R) - President Reagan would be likely to ease sanctions against construction of the Soviet gas pipeline if Western European allies cooperated to slow its construction, U.S. Trade Representative William Brock said Saturday. Mr. Brock con-ceded that U.S. plans to block construction of the Siberiato-Western Europe pipeline. being built with the help of Western technology and credits, had failed. But in a television interview he said the sanctions against firms supplying equipment for the pipeline were having an effect. "And as a consequence," Mr. Brock said. "this pipeline will be slowed, it will become far more expensive for the Soviet Union, and they will pay a very large price." Mr. Brock, asked if sanctions would be modified if an all-Western position could be reached against the Soviet Union. said: "There could be ... I think the prospects would be good."

Cuban delegation arrives in Syria

DAMASCUS (R) - A Cuban parliamentary delegation arrived here Saturday for a one-week official visit to Syria. The head of the delegation said the aim of the visit was to develop parliamentary cooperation between the two countries and exchange views on the . Middle East situation in the light of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon.

Canadian police hunt diplomat's killer

OTTAWA (R) -- Canadian police have spread their net abroad in the search for suspected Armenian extremists who gunned down a Turkish diplomat Friday but a spokesman said they had no real leads. About 50 witnesses were interviewed after Militai Attache Col. Atilla Altikat, 45, was killed while driving to work. The gunman ran off into nearby apartment buildings. Police, who say they are hunting two suspects. produced a composite picture of one of them showing a 25-year-old man of Middle Eastern appearance wearing a moustache. All information has been passed to the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation and to Interpol in Western Europe. A caller claimed the attack was carried out by the Justice Commandos for Armenian Genocide. Armenin militants sav 1.5 million of their people were massacred by Turkey during World War I, a claim which successive Turkish governments have strenuously denied.

Iran tries alleged **Qotbzadeh associates**

LONDON (R) — A military tribunal in Tehran Saturday began trying four people charged with anti-government conspiracy, the Iranian news agency IRNA said. They are accused with ex-Foreign Minister Sadeq Qotbzadeh of plotting with monarchist and military groups to overthrow the government and kill revolutionary leader Ayatoliah Ruhollah Khomeini. Mr. Qotbzadeh's trial ended on Aug. 21, but the court has not yet announced its verdict. Those on trial Saturday were named as Ahmad Abbasi, Mehdi Mahdavi, Javad Manaqebi and Abdolreza Hejazi. Mr. Abbasi is the son-in-law of Iran's secondranking spiritual leader. Ayatollah Kazem Shariatmadari. Mr. Mahdavi is a clergyman.

AID chief goes to Beirut

WASHINGTON (R) - The administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development (AID). Peter McPherson, left Saturday for Beirut to survey Lebanese relief needs. AID said in a statement that Mr. McPherson is to meet Lebanese President Elias Sarkis, President-elect Bashir Gemayel, United Nations officials and U.S. relief workers. It said he will stay in Lebanon until Wednesday and then return to the United States to report his findings to President Reagan and Secretary of State George Shultz.

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A French soldier is carried away on a stretcher by his comrades Saturday after he had been wounded when a mine exploded in the Bechara Al Khoury street in the centre of Beirut. The French legionnaires, part of an international

force overseeing the Palestinian withdrawal from Beirut, are replacing mines and cleaning the area which has been deserted since the civil war in 1975 (A.P. wirephoto)

Washington reaffirms commitment to Jordan's integrity and sovereignty

AMMAN (J.T.) - The United States has reaffirmed the Reagan administration's commitment to the territorial integrity and sovereignty of Jordan.

State Department spokesman John Hughes, in reply to press questions, about Israeli Defence Minister Ariel Sharon's staiai Ionian is the Palestinia egrity and sovereignty and sup-settled by negotiation. ported its "unique, enduring cha-

In what was described as on uncompromising statement after a meeting with Secretary of State George Shultz Friday, Mr. Sharon declared that Jordan was the Palestinian state and Israel would never accept a second one on territory it now occupies.

The United States has not demtements in Washington on Friday anded a Palestinian state on the state, said the U.S. remains com- has consistently said the future of mitted to Jordan's territorial int- the area and of Gaza should be

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Haddad insists Gemayel sign treaty with Israel

TEL AVIV (R) — Israeli-backed ices a large swathe of South militia leader Saad Haddad said Saturday he would not relinquish his hold on the South Lebanese countryside until President-elect Bashir Gemayel signs a peace treaty with Israel.

In an interview with Israel Radio, the renegade Lebancse major said South Lebanon was a "special situation" and could not be allowed to come under central government authority before a peace agreement was completed. Maj. Haddad, whose militia pol-

Lebanese terrain, welcomed this week's election of fellow-Christian Bashir Gemayel.

Mr. Gernavel's Falangist army has also received extensive military aid from Israel. He takes over as president on Sept. 23 and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin has predicted a peace treaty in the near future.

"Maybe Arab pressure on Gemayel will prevent him signing

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foreign ministers assemble

RABAT (R) - Arab foreign ministers assembled Saturday for what will amount to a postmortem on the Lebanon war and to map a new Arab strategy for the

But the timing of the summit will remain in doubt pending the outcome of this weekend's talks in

Representatives of all but two of the 22-member league were expected to be present for an opening ceremony to be presided over by Morocco's King Hassan.

Libya has announced its intention to boycott the meeting on the grounds that it is aimed at unilateral treaty with Israel in

was adjourned in the Moroccan

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U.S. starts arms airlift to Mogadishu

MOGADISHU (R) — Giant U.S. Air Force transport aircraft began arriving at Mogadishu airport Saturday as the second U.S. arms airlift to Somalia this month got under way.

Officials in Washington said Friday the airlift was to strengthen Somalia after a new flare-up of fighting on the border with its neighbour Ethiopia.

There were no reports of lighting along the border over the past few days but the government has called on youths to join the army. Several thousand have responded and are being trained to handle U.S.-supplied weapons. Many vehicles have been requisitioned and the population has been asked to donate blood as casualties in recent fighting are believed to have been heavy.

Women have offered jewels and

eash during much publicised ceremonies to help the war effort. Officials both here and in Washington have declined to identify the type of equipment being del-

ivered, but U.S. authorities said shipments earlier in the month included anti-aircraft defence sys-

The new airlift was met with

Democratic Front (SSDF), an Ethiopian-supported dissident group seeking to topple the government of President Mohammad Siad Barre.

Radio Kulmis, the movement's radio, said the airlift would not ensure the survival of President Barre's government.

Ethiopia denies any participation in the conflict and says only SSDF guerrillas are involved. Somalia insists that the brunt of

its opponents in the field are Ethiopian regular troops, a view subscribed to by the United States.

aimed at wiping out guerrilla bases of South West Africa People's

Organisation (SWAPO), which is

fighting for independence for

But the latest Angop dispatch

Angola expects renewed South African attack

LISBON (R) — The Angolan government predicted Saturday that South African troops would mount further attacks soon following their latest push into southern Angola, the official news agency Angop said.

Angop said the Defence Ministry calculated the number of South African troops operating in the south, where the push began on July 16, at 5,500 but said a force of 30,000 was ready to invade from Namibia (South West

The ministry said that among the South Africans were Angolan guerrillas who have been fighting to overthrow the Marxist government in Angola since the country became independent of Portugal in 1975. It said the South African troops,

concentrated mainly in southern Cunene Province bordering Namibia, were now moving into the more northern province of Huila. Part of a South African mot-

orised brigade had taken up new positions adjacent to Angolan defensive points and fighting was expected soon. Angop reported the Defence Ministry as saying. On Aug. 12. South Africa cla-

imed the objectives of the latest sweep had been achieved. Pretoria has always maintained that its incursions into Angola are

received in Lisbon said the invading force was consolidating in the south and, judging by the movement of troops, the Angolan Foreign Ministry expected furtherattacks soon.

> Angop said the Defence Ministry calculated that the South African force in the north of Namibia comprised regular infantry units. supported by heavy artillery and

Arab in Morocco

continuing Middle East conflict.

A two-day conference of the Arab League opening Saturday is officially billed as a preparatory meeting for a reconvened summit due to take place on Sept. 6.

the Moroccan town of Mohammedia.

"liquidating the Palestinian cause while Egypt has been barred from the league since signing a

The original 12th Arab summit

Rousing welcome greets PLO fighters in Tunisia

BIZERTA, Tunisia (R) - A shipload of 1,100 Palestinian fighters from Beirut sailed into port here Saturday to a noisy welcome from tugboat sirens, military bands and jets of the 'Lunisian air force screaming overhead in salute.

The fighters, still carrying their Kalashnikov assault rifles, marched ashore through an honour guard of red and white robed Tu:.isian soldiers with drawn cutlasses. Waiting to greet them was Pre-

sident Habib Bourguiba and his entire cabinet as well as members of the opposition. Tunisian officials said the car-

rying of their arms ashore was a symbolic gesture by the Palestinians. The officials said the Pal-

estinians had agreed to hand over Israeli Defence Minister Ariel their guns later in the day on rea-Sharon is currently having talks in ching the camp prepared for them Washington with American offat Oued Zargua, about 100 kilicials. Egypt and the United States ometres from Bizerta.

differ sharply with Israel over the But one Palestinian official who arrived on the ship, Jamil Hillel, Mr. Sharon said after talks with said the question of arms was still Mr. Weinberger and Secretary of being discussed. State George Shultz that Jordan "They asked us to hand over

WARSAW (R) — Poland's Cat-

holic bishops Saturday appealed

for peace during next Tuesday's

demonstrations marking the sec-

ond anniversary of the founding of

Solidarity trade union after off-

icial warnings that they could turn

A statement to be read out in

churches Sunday said: "In the

hearts of many Poles there is a

feeling of rebellion and anger, dis-

It said a new wave of tension

was growing, similar to that which

It said this tension should be rel-

ieved not through violence and

force but through dialogue. Both

the authorities and opposition

groups shared responsibility for

Underground Solidarity leaders

have called for mass peaceful

demonstrations in major cities on

Tuesday, saying the future str-

ategy of those opposing martial

The authorities, in an effort to

law depends on their outcome.

led to the Gdansk accords in 1980

appointment and despair.

and the birth of Solidarity.

maintaining peace.

was the Palestinian state demour guns but we said we wanted to anded by the Arabs. talk about it further," Mr. Hillel

violent.

But President Mubarak insisted Saturday that the Camp David accords called for negotiations Polish church leaders appeal between Egypt and Israel on granting "autonomy" to Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and for peaceful demonstrations

Iranian rebels charge 5,000 executed since March

LONDON (R) — The Iranian underground Mujahedeene-Khalq organisation said Saturday more than 5,000 dissidents have been executed in Iran since

The Paris bureau of the leftwing group told Reuters in a telephone statement that the Iranian government has executed at least 20,000 opponents during the past 14 months and currently holds more than 50,000 political prisoners in its jails.

It said the majority of the victims were members of the Mujahedeen, either killed under torture or shot by firing squads. The authorities later listed them as victims of street clashes to cover up the executions, it added.

cuation plan began. Prime Minister Wazzan told reporters that the total of fighters planned to leave was around 12,000, comprising some 5,000 members of PLO organisations and others from PLA and Syrian units of the Arab Deterrent Force (ADF) in Beirut.

had left Lebanon since the eva-

BEIRUT (Agencies) — Six hundred more

commandos left by sea Saturday for Syria as

the U.S.-negotiated plan to evacuate Pal-

estinian fighters from Israeli-besieged west

Beirut went into its second week.

For his part. Lebanese Prime Minister Shafiq Al Wazzan said

his government would ask Arab

foreign ministers meeting in Mor-

occo this weekend to call for the

withdrawal of all non-Lebanese

Palestinian units and Syrian pea-

cekeeping forces still stationed in

north and east Lebanon, as well as

The Palestine Liberation Org-

anisation (PLO) fighters who left

Saturday were going to the Syrian Mediterranean port of Tartous

aboard the Greek vessel San-

torini, which has already eva-

of Beirut by U.S. Marines forming

part of the multinational force

Supporters of the Palestinians

fired rifles in the air but the gun

salutes appeared to be tapering off

The independent Beirut new-

spaper An Nahar Saturday quoted

Lebanese security sources as say-

ing that 6,548 fighters of the PLO

and the Syrian-commanded Pal-estine Liberation Army (PLA)

Weinberger

expected in

Cairo Friday

CAIRO (R) - U.S. Defence Sec-

retary Caspar Weinberger is due

in Cairo next Friday for talks with

President Hosni Mubarak, Egy-

ptian Minister of State for Foreign

Affairs Boutros Ghali said Sat-

He gave no details, but the talks

are expected to focus on the sta-

lled Palestinian "autonomy" neg-

Egypt says the talks, to which

the United States is a full partner

under the 1979 Camp David

Egypt-Israel agreements, will stav

suspended until Israeli troops

Mr. Weinberger would also visit

Lebanon and Israel next week.

The White House said Friday

otiations with Israel.

leave Lebanon.

Palestinians' future.

from the levels of a week ago.

They were checked into the port

cuated one previous batch.

overseeing the evacuation.

This was seen as a reference to

forces from the country.

to Israeli invasion troops.

Earlier estimates had put the figure at around 15,000.

Some 1,500 PLA men went to Syria Friday along the main Damascus road in the first overland evacuation. Israeli military sources in east Beirut said no overland move was planned for Saturday but one was expecter? Sun-

Most of the evacuees have gone by sea to seven Arab countries.

Mr. Wazzan, speaking after meeting President Elias Sarkis and Foreign Minister Fuad Butros, said a Lebanese working paper submitted to Arab foreign ministers in Morocco proposed "an end to every non-Lebanese military role" in Lebanon.

Israel has said it will not withdraw from Lebanon until all Syrian and Palestinian forces do lik-

The ADF, now composed entirely of Syrian and PLA units, was granted an Arab League mandate in 1976 for peacekeeping duties in Lebanon following the 1975-76

estine Liberation Army (PLA),

300 members of Fateh and men of

other groups within the Palestine

Liberation Organisation (PLO).

Abu Murad, told reporters:

idence for us."

Another Palestinian leader,

"We shall not stay long in Tun-

isia. Maybe a month or two. This is

a staging point, not a place of res-

erfront as the Cypriot vessel Sol

sian national anthem and banners

proclaimed "Welcome to the

mmortal revolution in Beirut."

A truck toured the port area

handing out poster pictures of

PLO leader Yasser Arafat and

Among the welcoming party were PLO officials headed by

Farouk Khaddoumi, head of the

Mr. Arafat himself is expected

organisation's Political Dep-

in Tunisia in mid-September.

dissuade Solidarity members from

taking part, have launched an int-

ensive campaign in the official

media saying the organisers are

preparing weapons and planning

rsday, seven policemen were inj-

ured and 108 demonstrators det-

of Gdansk and Sezrecin on the

same day. Both port cities have

seen disturbances in the last two

The church statement followed

a meeting of bishops at the Jasna

Gora monastery in the southern

city of Czestochowa on Thursday.

the country's holiest shrine, which

is celebrating its 600th ann-

"It would be a great mistake, an

evil and a misfortune should the

(Gdansk agreement) anniversary

be exploited to provoke violent

clashes or cause fraternal blo-

odshed," it said.

A mood of tension has been

President Bourguiba.

artment.

weeks.

Phryne sailed into harbour.

Cheering crowds lined the wat-

Loudspeakers blared the Tun-

4 top PLO leaders arrive in Syria

TARTOUS, Syria (R) — Four top Palestinian leaders from west Beirut arrived to a tumultuous welcome in this Syrian port Saturday night alongwith over 750 battle-weary Palestinian fighters and their families. Ships sounded their sirens and crowds cheered and sang as the Greeferryboat Santorini brought the first batch of Palestinian leaders to Syria. They were Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) leader George Habash, Nayel Hawatmeh of the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP), Ahmad Jibril of the PFLP general command and Talaat Yaaqub of the Palestine Liberation Front. The four were greeted by Syrian Deputy Prime Minister Walid Hamdoun and other senior officials.

Syria has indicated that formal termination by the league of the mandate, which lapsed last month, is one of its conditions for pulling

its men out of Lebanon. Reports circulated in Beirut Saturday that PLO leader Yasser Arafat had already left Lebanon but the organisation's spokesman Mahmoud Labadi denied them.

Violence lingers

The success so far of the evacuation, negotiated by U.S. envoy Philip Habib against a background of constant Israeli bombardment of Beirut, has produced a sharp

drop in tension in the ravaged city. But there are still outbreaks of violence. Lebanese state radio said Friday night that Lebanese army positions near the Green Line dividing west Beirut from the eastern sector had come under

mortar and sniper fire. It quoted a security source as saying a woman and a child had been injured but gave no indication of the source of the fire.

Meanwhile, Transport Minister Elias Hrawi had talks Friday on reopening Beirut airport, closed since June 7 and in Israeli hands since an offensive earlier this

For residents of Lebanon, the opening or closure of the airport has long been a key indicator of the, level of tension in the country.

Marines Tunisian officials said the Pal-

BEIRUT (R) - In the few days since American Marines arrived in Beirut to help supervise the withdrawal of thousands of Palestinian fighters, one thing has

become very clear. Contact between Americans and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) is as torbidden at low official levels as it is at the highest levels of government.

The good relations between the Americans and the French and Italian troops helping to make up the international force, and with the Lebanese army, Israeli soldiers and Lebanese civilians only serve to underline the fact.

under orders not to talk to the PLO," said Marine Lt.-Col. Robert Johnston, "There has to be a political sensitivity to the inference you draw." A short while before several

"The bottom line is that we're

American Marines caught passing the time of day with members of the Marbitoun Lebanese militia had been sharply recalled to order. The colonel said the contact had

been a misunderstanding, "We'd just as soon not have any association with them--but I don't say that negatively," he added. Col. Johnston was himself inv-

olved in a similar "misunderstanding" early in the withdrawal when he was photographed talking to a Palestinian

evident in several cities. On Thu-His official reason for the meeting was that the PLO man was "a demolitions expert who was telained after a disturbance at a bus Columns of security force vehling us the location of all the mines: in the area." icles rumbled through the streets

Lt. Michael Leonard said the commandos awaiting evacuation sometimes offered flags and keffichs--the Palestinian headdress--but the Marines were not allowed to accept them.

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ordered not to talk estinians' heavy weapons had been locked up in the hold of the with PLO' ship under Tunisian army guard. The Palestinian contingent included 550 members of the Pal-

EEATURES

Drought threatens pastoralism



Ethiopia: The droughts of the early 1970s destroyed the balance of people, animals and land.

By Michelle Hibler

"As the dry season scathes you. the wet season consoles you." So says an old Somali proverb. But there was little consolation for Somalia's population in the early 1970s as the "drought with the long tail" tightened its grip on sub-Saharan Africa — the Sahel from the Atlantic coast to Ethiopia and Somalia.

The failure of the rains brought famine and misery to millions of people in Africa's arid lands. It also threatened the existence of age-old cultures and means of livelihood; many nomadic pastoralists set out on what was possibly their last migration.

The drought was perhaps only the most publicized threat to the existence of pastoral societies that include West Africa's Fulani, Tuareg, and Moors and East Africa's Maasai, Kamba and Turkana. Despite their differences, the pastoral people share many common traits and many of the same problems. All face an uncertain future.

Tenuous life

Climate has always made the pastoralist's life tenuous. But the nomadic people were able to maintain a precarious balance between themselves, their animals, and their environment. The

One of the countries hardest hit by the drought of the early 1970s was Somalia, where two-thirds of the population are nomadic pastoralists. By mid-1975, some 270,000 of them had flocked to the 20 drought relief camps set up by the government. Planners estimated that the denuded rangelands would be able to reabsorb only 128,000 of the displaced pastoralists. Deciding to turn disaster into opportunity, the Somali government launched a nomad resettlement programme. In 1975, some 115,000 nomaus were resettled in three permanent agricultural communities, and 15,000 in three fishing villages. But, since the move, the population of the agricultural communities has declined steadily to slightly over one-half their original size. The development of the communities has also been inhibited by various problems such as delays in obtaining equipment. unsuitable sites and the settlers' lack of farming experience. Despite the importance of nomad resettlement in Somalia, no research had been carried out to evaluate, monitor, and improve the programmes. In 1981, therefore, IDRC supported a project proposed by the Somali Settlement Development Agency to collect and analyze socioeconomic data on the settlers. The study should yield valuable information on the schemes and on the processes involved in the transition from nomadic pastoralism to settled agriculture.

essence of their life is movement and this life is markedly seasonal. During the rainly season, the pastoralists move their herds from pasture to pasture. The herds consist of different types of animals goats, sheep, cattle, and sometimes, camels. Each species has a different value of food, means of transport, and as stored wealth. They make use of different types of pasture and at varying distances from the camps. They also have different levels of survival in hard times, and of increase in good times, thus increasing the odds for the survival and prosperity of their

As temperatures rise at the beginning of the dry season, the Sahel's nomads retreat to the wetter southern farm lands or settle temporarily around water holes. Families will often break up, the men taking cattle to the south to graze on flood-retreat pastures along rivers or on stubble in farmers' fields, while the women and children stay behind. Some young men leave the community to seek seasonal work in towns. But they return to the northern rangelands with the rains, leaving the fields and the tsetse flies - to the sedentary farmers.

Traditionally, nomadic movements were not random. The time spent at each well on migration routes was regulated by tribal leaders. This is all the more important because although animals are individually owned, the grazing lands and natural water sources are considered to be public resources available to all stock owners in the community. Overgrazing was carefully avoided.

Various changes occurred in the past decades to upset this precarious balance. In West Africa, the travels of nomadic tribes became increasingly circumscribed during colonial times by the French, who restricted movement to specific territories. The establishment of independent countries then set boundaries across migration routes. Farming spread northward from the south into marginal territories, pushing the pastoralists into ever drier reg-

A similar process occurred in East Africa. In Kenya. for example, the fertile well-watered lands of the Rift Valley were opened up for freehold title during the colonial era. The Maasai, who used the lands for grazing, were given

Settlements are rising in the foreboding wilderness of the Chittagong Hill Tracts, and the Jhumiyas, Bangladesh's nomadic people, are coming to

Estimated to number about 80,000, the Jhumiyas are in perpetual search of new forests to clear, new lands to till. But afte a few months and one or two harvests, they move to other places where they start

over again.
Isolated from the rest of the world, the *Ihumiyas* have developed a distinct culture of their own and a language that's a mixture of Chakma, Marma, and Tripura - the languages of other tribes living in the hills of chittagong. Little has been done to help

the Jhumiya overcome their poverty and backwardness. But contacts with modern civilisation have wrought subtle changes in their way of life, which only makes the Jiumiyas wary, suspicious, and even antagonistic to ways of life different to their own. This attitude has been one of the major obstacles to the Bangladbring the Jhumiyas into the stream of modern society.

But despite past failures to speed up the assimilation of the jhumiyas the government is not giving up. It is now vigorously ng the Jhumiya Rehabilitation Scheme, which seeks to end the nomadic life of the

Under the scheme, each *Jhumiya* family will be given two hectares of land, and a cash grant of 14,000 taka (\$924). Each family will also receive

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individual titles to lands pre-viously used by all. As land values escalated, much of it was sold to outside cultivators, denving pas-

While the rangelands were shrinking, human and animal populations were increasing drastically. Veterinary advances and vaccination campaigns meant fewer animal deaths. Unusually good rains in the 1950s and 1960s and newly drilled deep borehole wells provided year-round water and rich pastures. The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) estimates that between 1960 and 1971, the number of cattle in the Sahel rose from 18 to 25 million, although studies of the carrying capacity of the region consider it cannot sup-

port more than 15 million. Social as well as economic motives prompted the herd increases. The pastoralists accumulate large numbers of animals for security. Having animals to lend to others earns the owner a high credit rating — being able to borrow from others in hard times. Animals are also a mark of prestige and a social currency needed

fertilizers, seeds, and light farm tools. Hand-in-hand with the resettlement programme the Chittagong Hill tracts (CHT) Development Board will teach them modern farming methods and provide marketing facilities for their products, as well as education and health care services.

Government workers claim they have succeeded overcoming some social barriers, and the Jhumiya attitude is slowly changing from one of suspicion to gruding accep-

The programme has been careful to avoid offending the sensibilities of the Jhumiyas, or to interfere unduly with their old ways of life, particularly in the tribe's religious and cultural life.

Hampered by financial problems, the CHT Development Board had to establish priorities to avoid wasting precious funds. The first task was to select acceptable settlement sites, linked by a network of

The most crucial step was the selection of willing Jhumiyas the board has settled 3,500 Jhumiya families in 49 collective farms. It has given away about 5 million taka (\$330,000) in cash grants and 7082 hectares of land. If the current pace of settlement continues. the entire Jhumiya community will be settled by 1985.

Such a development, say board officials, would help increase the agricultural output of the CHT by three to four

--Abdul Kashem, Depthnews.

to create and strengthen social ties of all kinds - bride payments, for example. Animals are sold or slaughtered only when necessary to buy grain and food or other necessities, and for celebrations,

As the herds expanded, more forage was needed. Trees and grass cover were damaged, particularly around water holes where large numbers of animals congregated. The process of environmental degradation thus begun led to desertification during the drought. In the process, some 30 per cent of the herds were lost. The nomads' response to the

drought was movement, but movement of a type not known before. West Africa's nomads migrated south earlier in the season than previously. Many did not return to the northern pastures. Others, particularly those who had lost their herds, came to the cities in search of work. Entire families appeared where only men had come before. International migration also occurred on a large scale. Streams of migrants poured into drought-relief camps set up in a number of countries.

Demographers and anthropologists consider that these movements may be permanent as the nomads adjust to life in the cities. They also feel that they may be an indication of future trends.

1970's upheaval

The upheaval of the 1970s drew world attention to the latest plight of Africa's pastoralists, but they have been losing ground for decades. Settlement programmes, wage policies favouring migrant labour, and forced commercialization have been implemented in order to absorb them into the nonpastoral economy. Changes in traditional land tenure patterns, the expansion of agriculture, and destocking programmes have reduced their share of economic and political

Researchers participating in a 1980 conference on the future of pastoral peoples, held in Nairobi, point to the governments of the countries concened as the major source of pressure and constraint on pastoral systems. Nomadic peoples, they say, have often been viewed by authorities as fundamentally opposed to the state, which has difficulty both in exercising control over them and delivering services. Most governments have also considered pastoralism to be an uneconomic and archaic way of life that should be discouraged in favour of more intense, productive means of food production.

As Walter Goldschmidt, an anthropologist from the University of California at Los Angeles, stressed during the conference, most programmes aimed at "solving the pastoral problem" have failed. Attempts to improve environmental conditions by measures such as the provision of wells, have contributed to over-



Massai children learn pastoralism early.

grazing. Attempts to control the number of animals through stock reduction schemes were resented by herders forced to sell animals and proved difficult to enforce. To encourage the sale of animals, economic and marketing services were provided. But these met with little success, because pricing policies were more favourable to the urban consumer than to the pastoral producer.

One of the most often tried methods of transforming the nomads' attitudes to cattle and of encouraging them to settle has been the establishment of group ranches. In the 1960s, for example, 14 ranches were created for 100 Maasai families in the Kaputei area of Kenya. But existing Maasai social groups were not used for demarcating these ranches, and the Maasai were well aware that the ranches would not always be able to support year round grazing.

Some of the new ranchers therefore arranged to have family members registered in different ranches so that the traditional practice of kinship reciprocity could be used to gain access to lands in other ranches as the need atose. They were unable, however, to stem the flow of cattle into their area. Armed clashes broke out over territorial invasion and grazing rights.

According to Goldschmidt, the ranches succeeded in disenfranchising and pauperising the majority of the population. Elites were created and the ranchers were dissociated from their own communities. He attributes the failure of these programmes to poor planning, lack of coor-dination, and disregard for the pastoral peoples' knowledge of their environment and resources, and of their social organisation and value systems.

Although many scientists now

Firstaid, fire, police

recognise that traditional pastoralism is profoundly rational and is perhaps the only way to effectively use the arid rangelands, they also recognise that problems exist. Not all pastoralists driven from rangelands by drought can be returned, even if their herds could be rebuilt. Ways must also be found to bring services to these populations.:

Many forces are therefore working in the direction of settlement. A number of African countries are mounting sustainedprogrammes to encourage sedentarisation. Modern means of transportation are breaking into the isolation of pastoral peoples. bringing them into contact with other cultures and under government control. Education is making inroads as some tribes now consider that educating their children into urban occupations may be the best insurance for the future.

What is to be done? The conference participants stress the need for research in technical, economic, social and political areas to better understand the basic mechanisms by which subsistence-oriented pastoral systems operate. They also say that all development programmes -need to be locally based and fully involve the pastoralists. They further recommend that sedentarisation not be forced, and that traditional landholdings be respected in law.

And as John Galaty and Dan Aronson of the Commission of Nomadic Peoples, which organised the conference, point out: "Among the central new realities of the 1980s needs to be an increase in the volume of the voices of the pastoralists themselves, as they take hold of their own futures".

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WHAT'S GOING ON

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Photographs of King Hussein's visits to the U.S. over 30 years, at the Ame-

 National Book Week, organised by the Department of Libraries, Doc-umentation and National Archives at Al Subeihi, near Salt.

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MUSEUMS

Folklore Museum: Jewelry and cos-tumes over 100 years old. Also mosaics from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre, Amman. Opening bours: 9.00 a.m. - 5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 51760. Jordan Archaeological Museum: Has an excellent collection of the antiquities of Jordan. Jabal Al Qafa (Citadel Hill). Opening hours: 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. (Fridays and official holidays 10.00 a.m. 4.00 p.m.). Closed Tuesdays.

Jordan National Gallery: Contains a collection of paintings, ceramics, and sculpture by contemporary Islamic artists from most of the Muslim countrieand a collection of paintings by 19th Century orientalist artists. Muntazah, Jabal Luweibdeh. Opening hours: 10.00 a.m. 1.30 p.m. and 3.30 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tel. 30128.

Military Museum: Collection of military memorabilia dating from the Arab Revolt of 1916. Sports City, Amman. Opening hours 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Closed Saturdays. Tel. 64240.

Popular Life of Jordan Moseum: 100 to 150 year old items such as costumes, weapons, musical instruments, etc. AMMAN AIRPORT

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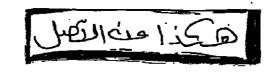
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Minister of Information Adnan Abu Odeh meets in his office on Saturday with (from left to right) Dr. Landrum Bolling, professor of diplomacy at Georgetown University and Chairman of the board of

the Jordan Society; Mr. Carl Stover, newly appointed board director; and Mrs. Stover (Petra

Information Minister Adnan Abu Odeh meets members of 'Jordan Society'

AMMAN (J.T.) - Information exchanged views with the minister Minister Adnan Abu Odeh con- on the society's aims and means of ferred in his office Saturday with a delegation representing the "Jordan Society" in the United States.

The delegation members, all on

achieving them with a view to promoting wider cultural and educational contacts between the American and Jordanian peoples. the society's board of trustees. The board of trustees includes

being of Arab origin.

The society has been incorporated under the state laws of New York as a private nonprofitable educational and cultural foundation.

Accountancy training course opens in Amman

AMMAN (Petra) - Income Tax Department Director Abdullah Nsour Saturday opened a monthlong training course on advanced accountancy and book-keeping.

Those attending are 26 newly appointed officials and assessors who will be oriented on the new income tax law, auditing of accounts assessing income tax and other related topics. They will also make tours of a number of aud-

According to Dr. Nsour the department will organise other similar courses for 160 employees during this year.

Deadline set for pilgrim registration

AMMAN (Petra) — Sunday. Aug. 29 has been fixed as the last date for registering Muslims wishing to perform pilgrimage to Mecca this year.

The Ministry of Awgaf and Islamic Affairs said that it will receive applications for performing the pilgrimage by midnight Sun-

UNRWA to reduce rations

By Riyad Ahmad Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN - The United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) has decided to suspend its monthly programme of distributing basic food rations among Palestinian refugees in Jordan. This action was taken to meet the needs of the victims of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon. according to Mr. John Tanner, director of UNRWA affairs in Jordan. Mr. Tanner told refugee camp representatives in a meeting on Saturday about the new UNRWA ration policy to the complete disapproval of the representatives. On the one hand "it is unfair to solve the problem created by the Israeli invasion of Lebanon at the expense of Palestinian refugees in Jordan" represetatives said; on the other, they said, the aim behind this decision is for UNRWA to rid itself of the whole refugee problem. Consequently, the representatives decided to carry out a major campaign where they will contact the authorities in Jordan to inform them about the UNRWA decision and get their consent to hold a public conference where all those working with the UNRWA should take part. They will raise this issue to His Majesty King Hussein. Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Minister of the Occupied Territories Alfairs Hassan Ibrahim, the United Nations secretarygeneral, the Arab League, U.N. General Assembly chairman and UNRWA Commissioner-General Oolf Rydbeck.

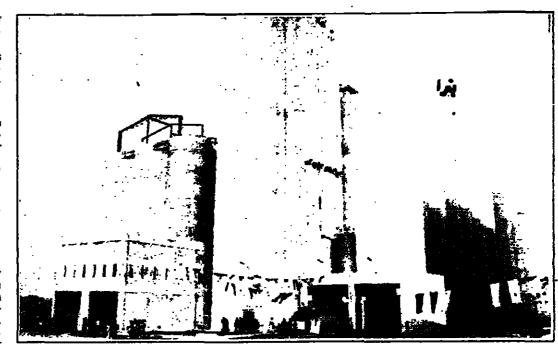
King Hussein inaugurates Juweideh flour mill

for inaugurating Ministry of Supply projects at Juweideh, some 10 kilometres south of Amman was held Sajurday under the Patronage of His Majesty King Hus-

Attending the ceremony with the King were His Highness Prince Mohammad, Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Chief of the Royal Court Ahmad Al Lawzi, National Consultative Council President Suleiman Arar, Court Minister Amer Khammash, Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief La-Gen. Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker, cabinet members and senior officials.

King Hussein opened the new grain siles and the flour mill in Juweideh and laid the foundation stone for a new automated bakery which is scheduled to be completed in the coming year. The cost of the bakery, the second of its type in the Amman region is expected to reach JD 840,000. King Hussein also inspected the new cold stores, the quality control laboratory and central maintenance workshops there.

Afterwards King Hussein decorated a number of officials in charge of these projects with royal medals in recognition of their efforts. At the outset of the ceremony, Minister of Supply Ibr-



The new grain silos opened by His Majesty King Hussein Saturday at Juweideh, 10 kil-

ometres south of Aminan (Petra photo)

ahim Ayyoub outlined his ministry's plans aimed at ensuring sufficient supply of foodstuff for the public at reasonable prices. Among the projects, he said were the cold stores, flour mills, bakeries and slaughter houses.

In addition to carrying out such

allowing local farmers to market their products in neighbouring

projects he added the ministry has them to increase their production. been importing animal feed and selling it to livestock breeders and poultry farmers at cost price by. buying locally produced grain from farmers for good prices and

Arab states in a bid to encourage

The flour mill, mangurated at Saturday's ceremony has an initial production capacity of 400 tonnes daily, and the cold stores have a

Public works minister inspects new interchange

SWEILEH (Petra) - Public Works Minister Awni Al Masri Saturday made an inspection visit to the Sweileh-Jerash interchange project, now under construction and met with contractors and workers implementing the pro-

The minister discussed with the contractors progress of work and the presence of electricity, telephone posts, cables and water

pipes that impede the work. He asked that the project should be

The tirst phase of the project expected to cost JD 2.5 million entails the construction of a tunnel. an overpass and a roundabout and is scheduled to be completed by the end of the coming year.

implemented according to sch-

The second phase of the proect, expected to cost JD 2.25 million entails the construction of a four-lane road between Sweileh and Jerash, and is expected to be completed in mid-1983.

University of Jordan to establish water research centre

AMMAN (Petra) - The University of Jordan's board of trustees Saturday announced its approval for the establishment of a centre for conducting research and studies on Jordan's water res-The centre is designed to pro-

mote efforts aimed at developing water resources and protecting Jordan's water supplies from pollution and other dangers, the announcement said.

It added that the centre will draw up a comprehensive plan in resources from pollution. The

institutions in Jordan on the proper use of water, and will submit it to the concerned authorities to benefit from it. According to the ann-

ouncement, the centre will be set up in response to a call by the national conference on science and technology that was held in Amman in 1978, which had urged all concerned to study means of developing Jordan's water supplies and to find ways of protecting surface and underground water

cooperation with other scientific conference had described the water supply in Jordan as constituting the basic factor in the country's economic and social development.

> According to the conference resolutions Jordan's water needs are far greater than the present resources and there is a dire need tor increasing the existing quantities of drinking water and protecting water supplies from various sources of danger, particularly pollution and over consumption.

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U.S. reaffirms commitment to Jordan's sovereignty

Mr. Sharon said: "There is a Palestinian state. Jordan is a Palestinian state... Israel never agreed and will never agree to a second Palestinian state."

Mr. Sharon said that following the withdrawal of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) from Beirut, Israel was now talking to Palestinian leaders in the West Bank and Gaza about future peaceful coexistence.

In a separate press conference with Israeli correspondents, Mr. Sharon was reported to have acknowledged U.S.-Israeli differences but to have said there was

city of Fez last November because

of differences over a Saudi Middle

East peace plan that implicitly

recognised the existence of Israel.

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arheaded by the Steadfastness and

Confrontation Front--Syria, the

Palestine Liberation Organisation

(PLO). Algeria, Libya and South

All but Libya will be rep-

resented at this weekend's Moh-

ammedia talks, although the Alg-

erians and South Yemenis have

Another issue likely to be under

consideration is Egypt's position

vis-a-vis the Arab League.

Egypt's relations with Israel have

cooled since the death of Pre-

sident Anwar Sadat and par-

ticularly since the Lebanon inv-

asion.
Diplomats said they believed.

however, that the some of the

Arab states would resist any

moves to put Egypt's re-entry to

the league ahead of discussion on

a unified strategy to cope with the

a peace treaty with Israel," Maj.

Haddad said in the English-

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language interview.

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Arab opposition to a com-

the two following the Palestinian pullout from Lebanon.

Mr. Sharon also had a meeting Friday with Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger who will visit the Middle East next week.

Mr. Sharon said he believed that what he called the political and military defeat of the PLO in Lebanon would make it possible to reach an agreement on peaceful coexistence with the Palestinians.

Mr. Sharon, architect of Israel's military thrust into Lebanon that led to the current evacuation of Palestinian fighters from Beirut.

Arab ministers assemble in Morocco

outcome of the Lebanon war.

No mention of the foreign min-

isters meeting was made in a

communique released following a

meeting between King Hassan

and Dr. Osama Al Baz, special

envoy of President Mubarak, here

Friday night, the palace said Sat-

The communique said Dr. Baz's

arrival in Morocco was a sequel to

the visit to Cairo last June 7 by

Moroccan Foreign Minister Mhamed Boucetta, Mr. Bou-

cetta's visit was the first made to

Cairo by a high-ranking member

of one of the Arab governments

that broke off relations with Egypt

PLO criticism

that the forthcoming Arab summ.

was intended to cover up what it

called the Arab scandal over Isr-

Commenting on the pre-

paratory meeting in Moh-

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ael's invasion of Lebanon.

Haddad insists Gemayel sign treaty with Israel

In Beirut, PLO newspaper said

after its 1979 treaty with Israel.

more common ground between said the operation had bought peace nearer and a new era in the region lay ahead."

'Autonomy' talks

Negotiations among Israel. Egypt and the United States on what they call Palestinian "autonomy" began in May 1979 soon after the signing of the Camp David treaty between Egypt and

The talks are currently suspended and Egyptian officials have said they will not return to the negotiating table until Israeli

Thawra said the long resistance of

huge fire of awareness among the

"To extinguish this fire in Moh-

ammedia is exactly what the Arab

The Palestinians have been bit-

terly disappointed by lack of con-

crete support from Arab states for

the PLO, whose lighters are now

Arab states to bury their dif-

ferences and to agree a joint stand

against Israel, taking advantage of

greater awareness of the Pal-

States and Western Europe.

estinian problem in the United

Ahmad Alaoui, writing in the

daily Le Matin, said: "This imm-

ense current of pro-Palestinian

sympathy that is shaking int-

ernational opinion means that the

time for (Arab) concentration has

never been so favourable, pro-

Moroccan Minister of State

withdrawing from Beirut.

leaders are thinking of," it said.

troops are out of Lebanon. In any case, Israel and Egypt are far apart on the concept of Palestinian autonomy.

Mr. Sharon, speaking to reporters after an 80-minute meeting with Mr. Shultz on Friday, said talks with Palestinian leaders in Gaza, and in Judea and Samaria as Israel calls the occupied West Bank, began a few days ago.

He claimed it had been difficult to talk to these Arabs earlier because they had been threatened by the PLO, but the situation had now changed.

"Israel is not looking for collaborators." he said. "We are looking for people who will be ready to negotiate and discuss the future relations between Israel and the Palestinian people of Samaria, Judea and the Gaza district. Palestinians and Lebanese in Israeli-besieged Beirut had "set a "I hope we will be able to settle the problem and live in peaceful

coexistence. Egyptian President Hosni

Mubarak, in an article in the Washington Post last Sunday, called the idea of turning Jordan into a Palestinian state absurd. He said Israeli statements exp-

ressing determination to block a Palestinian "entity" in the future Moroccan and other Arab prejudged the issue of detcommentators Saturday called on ermining the final status of the West Bank and Gaza.

Lebanese situation

On Lebanon, Mr. Sharon said that after the current phase of would take.

was hoped Israel and Lebanon would be able to sign a peace agreement that would give Israel the "security" it needed on its northem border.

Sharon told them in a second press erwards that Israel would have secured the PLO pullout from Beirut earlier if it had not taken into account American "appeals He was apparently referring to

the U.S. demand to stop the bombing of west Beirut.

On the Palestinian "autonomy talks, he was quoted as saying that the Israeli cabinet had proposed a realistic plan and "this is the only plan we are going to discuss."

Women to run for Zarqa municipal election

ZARQA (Petra) - Arrangements have been made for including women in the November 27 municipal elections in Zarqa District, according to the district Governor Salem Al Oudah.

He said that women in his district will be offered the chance side by side with men to run for election and to cast ballots. Special ballot boxes have been assigned for women who will be participating in municipal elections for the first time in the country's history, Mr. Qudah said.

He said provision has been made in the recent municipalities law for women to elect and be elected in municipal councils so that they would have the opportunity to contribute towards the development of public services in their regions.

Mr. Qudah said that he had received a letter from the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs and the Environment appointing him chairman of a committee charged with organising the November

Week-long seminar opens on quality control

AMMAN (Petra) — A week-long seminar on quality control opened at the Institute of PubliAdministration Saturday. Attending the seminar organised in cooperation with the Amman Chamber of Industry, are 23 directors and senior officials represting companies and financial. scientific and industrial organisations.

The seminar is designed to orient the participants on means of

of Agriculture is granting imp-

orters permits to import uns-

and fruit in the coming month.

according to the ministry's

He said that importers can bring

into the country various types of

crops except tomatoes, eggplants.

cucumbers, marrow, melons, gra-

pes, guava, bananas and oranges

because these are produced loc-

ally and sufficient quantities exist

Importers will be issued permits

in the local markets.

September one, he said.

conducting quality control and its importance in controlling imported products.

Also opened at the Institute of Public Administration Saturday was a training programme on organising and keeping files. Attending the four-day course are officials from the Ministry of Interior who will be oriented on systems of classification, indexing and enumerating files and other related

Importers are Finance ministry allowed to import to approve vegetables education budget AMMAN (Petra) — The Ministry

IRBID (Petra) - The Ministry of Education has referred its 1983 pecified quantities of vegetables development budget to the Ministry of Finance for approval. Under-Secretary Salem Al Lawzi.

A ministry spokesman said that the budget amounts to JD 31.3 million and represents allocations for projects originally included in the ministry's five-year development plan.

Funds included in the budget for the coming year will be used for the purchase of lands and building schools in various regions of for importing agricultural crops by the country, the spokesman said.

13-day metrology training course starts in Amman

AMMAN (J.T.) - The Ammanbased Arab Organisation for Standardisation and Metrology (AOSM) opened here Saturday a 13-day training course attended by delegates from most Arab cou-

The delegates will hear lectures by Arab and foreign specialists on the subject on standardisation and measurements and will make field trips to a number of Jordanian

Addressing the opening session Dr. Bassam Abu Ghazaleh dean of the University of Jordan's Faculty of Engineering underlined the importance of standardisation and measurement in the production. engineering work, industry and many other fields.

Also addressing the session was AOSM Secretary-General Zaler

Al Sawwaf who outlined the organisation's activities and its cooperation with Arab countries in establishing their national systems for standardisation, especially in the field of industry.

The AOSM, established in 1968 aims at unifying technical terms and standard specifications for products such as food clothing, fertilisers, building material, oil, minerals, electrical products and others used in the economic, commercial and industrial fields. It also assists in the establishment of national bodies and collaborates with international standards activities. Attending the opening session,

held at the University of Jordan's Faculty of Economics and Com-

Health minister opens Amman nursing seminar

AMMAN (Petra) — Health Minister Zuhair Malhas Saturday opened a two-week seminar in Amman on basic health care for teachers of nursing, employed by Jordan's three nursing colleges.

Taking part in the seminar are 40 teachers working at the Jordanian Nursing School, the Princess Muna Nursing College and the University of Jordan's Nursing services and health supervision.

several specialists on the importance and basic health services.

Dr. Malhas later opened a tra- ining course for physicians emploved at the Ministry's health centres and clinics in Amman Governorate. Taking part in the 30-day course are 15 doctors who will be oriented on basic health

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anon should be generous with Israel," the major added. Before the Israeli invasion of Lebanon, the mixed Christian-Muslim Haddad militia was confined to an enclave along the two

countries' border. Since then Israeli occupation forces have allowed the major to the city of Sidon, where he has set up a new headquarters. He told Israel Radio he could

not give up the area "until we are sure about the future."

Israeli officials reported exports to Lebanon had boomed this month. David Maimon, head of a unit administering civilian supplies to South Lebanon, said exports were worth \$7 million in the first two weeks of August, compared to \$4 million in July.

Israel says it expects to sell more to Lebanon in two months than a foreign forces from Lebanon.

expand his terrain to just north of whole year's exports to Egypt, the only Arab country that has so far signed a treaty with the Israelis.

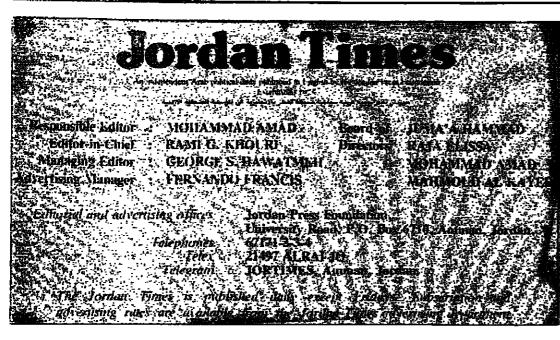
> In a later interview on Israel Radio, Mr. Gemayel side-stepped questions about Lebanon's future relations with Israel, saying it would be decided by the new gov-

The president-elect reiterated he wanted the evacuation of Palestinian forces from Beirut to be followed by the withdrawai of all

PLO "expulsion" was completed. a second phase would begin in which all foreign forces--Syrian and Israeli--would withdraw. He gave no estimate of how long this

He said that in a third phase it

Israeli correspondents said Mr. conference immediately aftand sometimes demands."



The boys are at it again

CHALK this one up in the master file marked International Double Standards and Official Hypocrisy: Three days ago, the United States government announced that it was imposing legal sanctions against two French companies that have provided equipment to build the Soviet-West Europe natural gas pipeline. The interesting thing about this move is that the United States has imposed what is known in the boycotting business as a "secondary boycott". That is, the United States not only imposes a ban on direct American sales of pipeline equipment to the Soviet Union; it also applies sanctions against companies of third countries who wish to sell equipmet to the Sov-

But, friends, you will remember - if your memory can recall matters that took place on this Earth before the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan and the imposition of a military regime in Poland -- that when the United States Congress was formulating legislation in the mid-1970s to prevent American companies

from complying with the terms of the Arab boycott of Israel, it was specifically pointed out by the professional hypocrites at the highest levels of the United States government that the American people and American democratic principles and the pure love and tenderness of American constitutional niceties were opposed not to a boycott per se, but to the Arabs' desire to force American firms to impose a secondary boycott against Israel. The flag was waved mightily -- we remember, we whose memories still recall life before the recent events in Afghanistan and Poland -and the fists were pounded mightily on the desks, and the rhetoric of right and principle was offered in abundance - and many other things were done by American leaders who objected strongly to the Arabs' secondary boycott of Israel, but who this week have imposed an American secondary boycott of the Soviet Union. Well done, Mr. Reagan and Co. You are hereby nominated for the Nobel Prize in Intellectual Pretzelry.

JORDAN'S ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Al Ra'i: Will the summit restore Arab faith?

Today's meeting of the Arab foreign ministers in Muhammadia, which is expected to arrange for the Arab summit conference to be held in the Moroccan city of Fez. takes place at a time when the Arab World faces many challenges and dangers. Thus, responsibilities of Arabs, whether dealing with Lebanon. Palestine or Iraq, are of great

The convening ministers are first of all required to profit from past lessons, especially from the events that lead to the postponement of the last Arab summit of which only one session was held. Next, they are expected to prepare a plan of practical and applicable measures so that it can be approved and carried out by the Arab leaders.

Needless to say: the current Arab situation does not afford either "chewing of emblems", getting into competitions or treading upon sensitivities. It now time to get rid of these drawbacks, long

Al Dustour: Arab summit and Arab hopes

The forthcoming summit conference, which will be prepared for by the current meetings of the Arab foreign ministers, will either be a collection of sincere efforts to save the Arab World from its long suffering and humiliation or, on the contrary. will push the Arab World towards further degradation, defeats and tragedies.

In their working paper, the foreign ministers should include all issues and troubles faced by the Arab World and prepare for it in a manner to get it discussed by the Arab leaders with utmost fra-nkness. This will assist them reach a unanimous accord on a unified stance to confront challenges commonly encountered by Arabs.

A full and top-level Arab attendance of the summit is a necessity of maximum significance so that the meeting can cope with the current events and circumstances, because only Arab leaders are

empowered to make final decisions. In addition, the agenda to be prepared by the abhored by Arab people.

Furthermore, the foreign ministers must maintain the confidence of the Arabs by opening a smooth path for Arab leaders in order to help them shoulder their national obligations when they hold their meeting in Fez.

There will be no acceptable excuses, if any, from any Arab leadership through its deviation from the national Arab commitments towards Arab rights.

Therefore. Arabs are looking forward to see the Arab leaders bury deep down all their disputes of the past, and the Muhammadia meeting is expected to set forth the proof of a totally new Arab reality. Any slowdown in that endeavour means that the Arab World will still be exposed to renewed dangers and adverse reactions of negative

foreign ministers should include the Palestinian question, the Lebanese "crisis" and the Israeli occupation of Lebanon. The Iranian aggression on Iraq should be among the issues on top of the agenda. But in order to buildup Arab solidarity the prerequisite is to ensure the continuity of Arab summitry and to protect such conferences from being effected by the occasional discords of Arabs. Discords are a natural phenomenon, but they might lead to damaging the national interests

of the Arab countries. Dialogues held by disparate foreign nations are a typical example for Arabs who used to settle their disputes by settling scores. The experience in Lebanon was a clear indication that it is Arabs only who pay for their own disputes, with their

honour, prestige, dignity and blood. As a result of all this, the enemy started to dictate its own conditions on the Arabs while occupying their lands and threatening more attacks.

Reagan's anger: Showbiz diplomacy

By Philip Geyelin

WASHINGTON - "Quiet on the set. please ... Secretary Shultz. move in a little tighter ... Mr. President, could you lean forward and clench that fist That's it ... Lights, camera. ACTION!"

So maybe that is not quite the way it went. But the celebrated Reagan-to-Begin phone call last week was also not quite the richly revealing inside glimpse of a critical moment in a high crisis that it was cracked up to be. On the contrary, it was one more production number, one more disturbing piece of evidence that some people in the presidential entourage do not believe that projection of American influence and power, through the person of Ronald Reagan, is persuasive unless accompanied by visual aids and gra-

phic instant replays.

The official White House photograph of the president reading the riot act to Menachem Begin (we can only assume that he was not ordering lunch) was not for posterity; the breathless playby-play accounts were not for Prime Minister Begin's ears only. At one point, while technicians were trying to set up a secure and secret hookup. I am told, the president expressed his willingness to speak on an open line.

The mevitable consequence of the histrionics and the hype was to call into question not only the substance and the reality but the larger question: who needs it? Who needs this public promotion of what, in more traditional times. would be handled in private dip-Surely, in this instance. Begin

did not need it. For one thing, he well knew Reagan's views on the imperative of a ceasefire in West Beirut. They had just been transmitted in a stiff note (also widely publicised) and in an equally stage-managed, face-to-face encounter the president and Israeli Foreign Minister Yitzak Shamir. More importantly, there is solid evidence that Begin and his Cabinet had already stared down Defense Minister Ariel Sharon. brought him to heel, and decided to

initiate a ceasefire several hours co-conspirator with the Israelis in before the president's call. There the invasion of Lebanon from the is even evidence that this decision had been already communicated to Washington.

In any event, Menachem Begin would hardly be impressed by showbiz diplomacy, being 2 world-class performer in the art of turning diplomatic communications to his domestic political purposes. When he all but annexed the Golan Heights last December, and the Reagan administration responded with modest reprisal, he called in U.S. Ambassador Sam Lewis and harangued him for 45 minutes. It did not escape Lewis's notice that, unprecedentedly, a stenotypist was on

The ambassador told me later that before he could return to the embassy in Tel Aviv to report on Begin's diatribe, he heard the full text being given over his car radio.

You could argue that the big show was for the benefit of those moderate Arabs who cannot bring themselves to believe that the United States has not been a silent

start. Perhaps it was thought that a demonstration was needed of the U.S. government's ability to res-

train the Israelis. Just before the Reagan-Begin call, Saudi Ara-bia's King Fahd had telephoned Reagan to express his concern over the Israeli bombardment of West Beirut and the breakdown of the negotiations over the withdrawal of the PLO.

Why not earlier?

But given the actual sequence of events, you have to ask how much the Saudis and the other so-called moderate Arabs were impressed. To the extent that they were may not be asking themselves: If it's that wasy, why didn't it happen a lot earlier?

Now none of this is to suggest that Ronald Regan's rage was not real, only to ask why we have to be told in so many different ways that it was real, that he really was "livid," that he really did "express his outrage.

It is as if his White House han-

dlers were saving: "You think the president doesn't work at the bus. iness of foreign policy. You think he's not in command. You don't think he's tough. Just watch Reagan reach out and clout som-

It does not seem to occur to the president's stage managers that the more managing there is, and the more it shows, the deeper run the very doubts that they are trying to put to test. It may work better, at home, on domestic iss. ues where the name of the game is public communication on behalf of the tax increase or school praver or whatever. But in dealings between nations, on matters of great moment where vital interests are engaged, it plays less

The image of Ronald Reagan. Hollywood actor, is handican enough. It becomes all the more a liability, exactly to the extent that his foreign policy is presented transparently, as a photo opp-

-- From The Washington Post

Will Begin have public consensus to fight Syrians and PLO in E.Lebanon?

By David Rogers Reuter

TEL AVIV - As they watch Palestinian commandos sail from Lebanon into exile, few Israelis seem able to raise more than a

Defence Minister Ariel Sharon has hailed the Palestinian evacuation from Beirut as a great achievement, but most ordinary people do not see it that way at pre-

There have been no victory rallies or street celebrations. "Nobody is dancing the hora (traditional Jewish dance) on my kibbutz," said a young reservist back from the war.

Israelis give a variety of reasons for their muted reaction to the forced exit of the Palestinian Liberation Organisation (PLO) from

The campaign, which began on June 6. developed into Israel's longest war and cost the country a high toll of 330 dead.

Israelis are also aware that the PLO was never a military match for their own army. They feel increasingly isolated internationally. At the moment the public mood is one of relief, and the word crops up in every conversation about the Lebanon conflict.

"I'm just relieved the army did not go into Beirut. It would have been awful," said a middle-aged shopkeeper called Uri who has fought in Israel's four previous

Israelis had no doubt that if the PLO had not gone peacefully, Prime Minister Menachem Begin would have ordered the army to flush the commandos out of West

Just before the PLO agreed to

leave, there was a big call-up of reservists. Virtually all of Israel's three-and-a-half million Jews had a relative or acquaintance poised to enter the Lebanese capital and feared a bloodbath.

"You know my first feeling when I hear (PLO leader Yasser) Arafat is going?" asked an elderly housewife. "Thank God, I will see my next door neighbour again."

Battle personal

For some, the battle against the PLO was more personal. "I am ery glad to see the guerrilias out of Lebanon," said Elana Romano. 36, the widow of an Israeli athlete killed by Palestinian commandos at the 1972 Munich Olympics. "But I am not looking for revenge. I am glad they left peacefully," she shown overwhelming public support for the Lebanese invasion. "I think it was necessary. The PLO never fought fair," said Mrs. Romano.

Vali Vulcan, a 50-year-old secretary, gave another view. "At first it was a big success but then it just seemed to drag on, and before cuate I thought we were in a real

> estinians) go. I do consider it a big victory for us ... this way maybe the boys will come home soon," she added.

> But some Israelis do not yet appear sure what they won. A recent opinion poll showed an overwhelming majority doubted the campaign would achieve its main aim of stamping out terrorism.

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Angered by international con-

Opinion polls have consistently demnation of the Beirut blitz, many Israelis accept the PLO won the propaganda war. Some say they do not care but blame the foreign media.

"You foreign journalists are all anti-semitic at heart. We got rid of the PLO because they rocketed. our settlements and we are depicted like Nazis," a Tel Aviv diathe Palestinians agreed to eva- mond seller complained.

Given the present mood. Western diplomats ask whether Mr. Begin will have the same public consensus behind him if the Israeli army next finds itself fighting Syrian and PLO forces in East Lebanon's Bekka valley, a scene of current tension.

The parliamentary opposition, which backed him most of the way during the recent operation, has already said it does mot want mil- ... itary means used to drive the Syrians out of Lebanon.

OPEC's surplus turns into deficit and places development aid funds at risk

By Thomas Thomson Reuter

BAHRAIN — Arab oil exporting countries will honour existing pledges to finance Third World aid funds but an ambitious \$5 billion scheme to help poor Arab states is at risk, bankers and aid experts

believe. Slumping demand for OPEC (Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries) oil and falling prices have turned the group's \$60 billion cash surplus last year into what may be a deficit as high as \$15 billion this year.

Despite their changed financial fortunes, Arab countries are unlikely to renege on commitments to their national or Arab-led aid funds to help developing countries with everything from dams to agricultural projects, the bankers say. The funds, including the fia-

gship OPEC Fund for Intemational Development, the Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development and the Islamic Development Bank, paid out over \$2.5 billion last year.

OPEC estimates its members have given almost two per cent of their gross national product in aid in recent years, compared with about 0.3 per cent from industrialised countries.

But countries finding red ink in their budgets for the first time in years are unlikely to make further pledges and may even divert dwindling new resources to Arab funds from non-Arab institutions like the International Monetary Fund (IMF) or World Bank, the experts said.

Saudi Arabia has still to decide whether to lend to the IMF next year. The kingdom, the world's largest oil exporter, agreed last year to lend the IMF four billion special drawing rights (\$4.4. billion) per year in 1981 and 1982 with further loans in 1983 only if its finances permitted.

The main casualty of the Arab cash squeeze is likely to be the Arab development decade, conceived at an Arab summit in Jordan in the boom days of 1980 when OPEC's current account balance of payments surplus was over \$100 billion.

pped. Finance ministers of pro-posed donor countries Saudi Ara-tribution, pledges already made. bia, Kuwait, Iraq, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates failed at their lost gathering in April even oil market in the next couple of to agree when to meet again.

The experts say the whole att-

ground satellite stations and a of \$51 million. food security programme. Recipient countries were to include Djibouti, Somalia, Sudan, Mauritania and North and South Yemen.

The OPEC Fund and the Arab

Momentum for the project was funds are cushioned from the eff-lost as financial surpluses dro- ets of the declining world oil maryears, the bankers said.

The OPEC Fund's Assistant empt to distribute five billion pet- Director-General Awni Al Ani rodollars over the next 10 years to said the institution expected to poor Arab countries is in doubt. lend about the same this year as Projects which had been moo- last year, when it committed \$400 ted included an Arab network of \$400 million and approved grants

He told Reuters in an interview in the fund's Vienna headquarters that the fund was working on its 1983 and 1984 lending programme. But, he said, it was too soon to say what effect, if any, the dwindling OPEC surplus would have on oil exporters' contributions to the fund.

Member's attitudes to ideas being working out for the next two years were positive, and no members had so far signalled they intended to cut contributions, he

The OPEC fund was founded by OPEC members in 1976 and aids developing countries other than OPEC states or international institutions whose beneficiaries are developing countries.

By the end of last year, the fund had committed \$1.3 billion of loans, \$76 million of grants, pledged \$435 million to the Intemational Fund for Agricultural Development and \$110 million to the International Monetary Fund.

The Kuwait-based Arab Fund is also secure for the next four years. with contributors committed to doubling its capital to 800 million Kuwait dinars (\$2.8 billion).

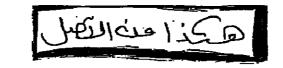
The 22-member fund, formed under an Arab league agreement in 1968, helps the poorer Arab countries.

Aid experts said the fund was confident that all members would honour their pledges. Iraq, its oil revenue slashed since the Gulf War with Iran began 23 months ago, would contribute, but might also be eligible for aid, they added. Another important aid ins-

titution in the Arab and Islamic worlds, the Jeddah-based Islamic Development Bank, was also secure for the next four years, bank officials said.

The bankers said aif funds of individual countries might be the first to feel the pinch from failing surpluses.





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By Janet Marsh

LONDON — This year marks the bi-centenary of one of Britain's most famous and most bizarre naval disasters. On Aug. 29, 1782 the Royal George, the pride of the Royal Navy, sank while at anchor in calm seas at Spithead. Some 900 people, including Admiral Kempenfelt, "the Brains of the Navy', perished with her.

The melancholy event moved Cowper to pen his celebrated if turgid poem

Toll For the Brave:

The Brave that are no more All sunk beneath the wave Fast by their native shore!

The Royal George was a comparative veteran, though not nearly as old as many ships then in service. She had been laid down at Woolwich in 1746, at a time when naval architects. learning from the study of captured foreign vessels. were striving to improve the design and stability of our own fig-

The copper pipe that cost 900 lives

Royal George was particularly inspired by a Spanish ship, La Principessa, captured in 1740.)

Completed ten years later, at a cost of £54.664, she spent only ten of her 26 years on active service. though distinguishing herself at Quiberon (1759).

She must have been a magnificent sight, with her figurehead of prancing horses and her three-storeyed gilded galleries towering aft. Some 172 feet in length and 52 feet wide, she was over 2,000 tons. carried a crew of 800 and boasted 100 guns, 56 of bronze, the rest of

Her end was shocking for those who witnessed it -- and they were many, for the whole Grand Fleet was assembled around her, all ready to set sail. The Royal George simply went over on her side, sank with such speed that few had a chance to escape, and eerily rig-

hting ships. (The design of the hted herself as she settled in the mud, the tops of her masts still sticking up out of the water.

The causes of this surprising accident have been endlessly debated for two centuries, through they are now generally agreed. It was a case of the proverbial horse-shoe nail: a small copper pipe which served to pump up water for washing the decks was defective. The carpenters asked for the ship to be heeled over so that they could repair it. Sailing time being imminent, the heeling was effected not by one of approved safe methods, but by the simpler device of shifting the weight of the guns to one side of the

The lower port-side ports, thus brought very close to sea level. should have been secured, but were not. The last straw, it seems, was that stores were being loaded through these ports and left on

deck rather than being immediately taken to the hold. Quantities of water must have slopped in: a few minutes before the accident a sailor was observed entertaining a small child by giving it

time of the accident the decks Two hundred years after one of Britain's most bizarre naval disasters, it is still possible to form a whole collection of souvenirs of the wreck of the Royal

boat-trips in a wash-tub floated on the water that flooded the floor of

George.

Another seaman attempted to warn an officer on deck, only to be rebuffed: "Damme sir. if you can

were crowded with the wives and families who had come to see their menfolk off.

you had better take com-

mand. By this time it was too late:

The court-martial after the catastrophe reached what now seems a perverse verdict. She sank, they

said, because as a result of the rotmanage the ship better than I can tern state of her timbers a "material part of her frame gave way." No doubt the Royal George was and down she went. The dead rotten: all wooden ships were to were not all naval people: at the some extent. But she had recently completed the fifth of a series of costly refits which she had undergone in her 26-year career.

> up of navy men: the verdict not only exonerated their comrades. dead and alive, and their regretted admiral. It also implied a criticism of the armchair sailors of the Navy Board in Whitehall who were always under attack for not spending enough on maintenance of the

However, the court was made

The verdict and the national mourning did not solve the immediate problem of what to do about the enormours wreck which now impeded Spithead tairway. Salvage attempts went on for the next 50 years. The first attempts by a ship's broker named Tracey. using an ingenious cradle of cables, were so obstructed by the Navy that it is hard to resist suspicions that they were afraid of finding evidence that would upset the court martial verdict. Two pioneer divers. Deane and Siebe. developed new techniques and equipment for their explorations

Finally, however, the dis-integrating hulk was blown up duing the four seasons 1839-43 by Col. Charles Pasley and the Royal Sappers and Marines. But that was by no means the end of the Royal George, Messrs E and E Emanuel. goldsmiths to Her Majesty, Queen Victoria, advertised in 1840 that having purchased at Her Majesty's Dockyard sales all the Timber recovered by Col. Pasley from the wreck of the Royal George in 1839, and new properly seasoned

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of the wreck.

the best lots lately disposed of recovered in 1840, beg to accurate. the nobility, officers of the mayand army, and the public gererally, that they have just finished for disposal some very splendidly carved chairs, tables, work boxes and walking sticks, ink stands (made on the model of Capstan). guns, carved sailors, and every article of taste and design..."

Even a fraction of the 1980,000 cu ft of oak that went to make the Royal George was enough to supply a small industry; and it is still possible to form a whole collection of these relics. Especially and ractive are the miniature books setting out the narrative, unbound in slivers of the oak. I'le: ran to seven editions and may still be found quite frequently for a few pounds.

Many Londquers, however, see every day what must be the largest relic of the Royal George: for the capital of Nelson's column was east from the bronze of the gunwhose weight proved so fatal 2 11 vear ago.

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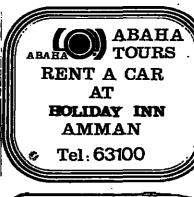
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goalkeeper Perry Suckling against Southampton and he enjoyed the

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sheet while England World Cup

keeper Peter Shilton, signed from

Nottingham Forest in the close

season, was beaten at the other

end by Steve Whitton. Coventry

Defender Paul Garner of third

division Sheffield United was sent

off for deliberately handling the

ball, the first player to be punished

under new action designed to

stamp out so-called professional

fouls. It was a bad day for his team too, beaten 4-1 by Portsmouth.

Financial crisis hits Mexican soccer players

Colombia's organisation of World Cup discussed by CSF

ional associations attending the

Saturday and the CSF will then fix

their position on where the finals

should be held, the spokesman

Lack of government support

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Colombia's report will be heard

SPORTS

vianchester United give an early warning to champions Liverpool

LONDON (R) - Liverpool, who F.A. Cup winners for the past two pull in trophies like a magnet attracts pins, opened their English League title desence in familiar fashion with a 2-0 win over West Bromwich Albion Saturday.

Sammy Lee and England World Cup defender Phil Neal scored the second half goals which set Liverpool confidently on the way in their attempt to win the first division title a record 14 times.

But high-spending Manchester United gave the champions early notice that they mean to have a big say in the League title race by demolishing Birmingham 3-0. International trio Kevin Moran,

Frank Stapleton and Steve Coppell fired the second half goals which saw United through. European Champions Aston Villa were first off the mark aga-

inst Sunderland with a Gordon Cowans goal, but their day was ruined in the last 30 minutes when Sunderland scored three times to win 3-1. Former European Footballer of

the Year Kevin Keegan celebrated his first match in the second division by scoring the goal which gave Newcastle United victory over last season's English Cup Finalists Queens Park Ran-

Keegan, the former Liverpool and Hamburg star who joined Newcastle from Southampton last week, had a capacity Newcastle crowd in raptures when he combined with Imre Varadi to beat Rangers goalkeeper Peter Hicker from six metres.

Tottenham Hotspur, English

seasons, began brightly against newly-promoted Luton with two goals in the first 20 minutes from Gary Mabbutt and Mike Hazard but could not hammer home the advantage and had to settle for a

Mabbut, signed from third division Bristol Rovers for £150,000 (\$260,000), scored within three minutes on his League debut with a superb diving header.

But despite a second goal from Hazard. Luton grabbed a share of the points after Spurs defender John Lacy deflected a ricky hill header into his own goal seven minutes before the interval and Brian Stein equalised seven minutes after the restart.

Watford, promoted with near neighbours Luton, went one better by beating Everton 2-0 in their first-ever game in the first division. Northern Ireland World Cup star Gerry Armstrong, included as a last minute substitute tor injured Les Taylor, scored the .first and former international team-mate Pat Rice added the second.

Norwich, the third team promoted from division two, fared less happily than the others, beaten 2-1 by Manchester City who are managed by their own former boss John Bond.

David Cross, another Norwich "old boy", opened Manchester City's tally after three minutes with a far-post header and City captain Paul Power made it 2-0 just on the interval, turning in a cross from Ray Ranson at the near

Norwich, inspired by Northern Ireland World Cup captain Martin O'Neill who once played for City. battled to get back into the match. But although John Deehan pulled one back for in the second half, that was as close as Norwich could

Former European Champions Nottingham Forest completed a 2-1 away win against West Ham thanks to goals from Colin Walsh and Scottish international John Robertson while their neighbours Notts County were held to a 0-0

Coventry fielded 16-year-old

football federations began a two-

day meeting here Friday at which

the central issue is a report by

Colombia on their prospects for

organising the 1986 World Cup

A spokesman for the South

American Football Confederation

(CSF) said the first session was

Reynoso said Friday.

MEXICO CITY (R) - The latest group to be hit

by Mexico's financial crisis are the country's soccer

players, Mexican soccer league President Jesus

will result in their unemployment," he said.

"The players want to be paid in dollars and that

Mr. Reynoso told reporters that local star Ric-

ardo Jose Ferrero had after a successful season

asked his team to pay him in dollars instead of the

Soviets claim double pentathlon triumph

LONDON (R) — The Soviet Union made it a double triumph when they took the overall individual and team titles in the World Junior Modern Pentathlon Championship which ended Saturday.

Uri Khorishko won the individual crown with a total of 5,494 points ahead of compatriot lgor Shvartz on 5,474 with Britain's Richard Phelps third on 5.448.

The Soviet team finished with 16,312 points ahead of runners-up Hungary on 15,860 and third-placed Britain with 15,646.

Phelps won Saturday's 3,000 metres cross country in nine minutes 20.9 seconds ahead of Attila Miszer of Hungary, who clocked 9:35.00 and Austrian Mathew Spies, third in 9:46.4.

Ferrero is now looking for a new team and his

A recent meeting of team owners decided that

players would only be paid in Mexican pesos and

the owners would not recognize any contract neg-

billion foreign debt and the peso is selling at 110

pesos to the dollar, compared with 25 at the start of

stage them.

egates said.

The Mexican economy is suffering from an \$80

President Teofilo Salinas said bef-

ore the meeting South America

still hoped they would be able to

If Colombia backs out, the CSF

expected to endorse Brazil's

3rd round of Swiss Golf Open

claim to staging the finals, del-

prospects are very dim, the president added.

otiations to the contrary.

Prost of France to start in pole position in Swiss race

DIJON, France (R) - Alain Prost raced from the front row this seaof France, driving a turbo-charged Renault, will start in the pole position for the Swiss Formula One Grand Prix motor race here Sun-

Prost. 27, earned the honour by shattering the Prenois circuit's practice lap record in the first session Friday.

He covered the 3.8km distance in one minute 01.38 seconds, averaging 222 kph, and no one beat the time in the final practice session Saturday.

Next to Prost on the front row will be his teammate and compatriot. Rene Amoux. It will be the fifth time the Renault team has

The Renaults start the heavy favourites on this fast track, suited to their powerful turbo engines; and where they have done much

Prost won the French Grand Prix here last year and Arnoux placed fourth after starting in the pole position. The Brabham of Italian Ric-

cardo Parese and the McLaren of two-time World Champion Niki Lauda of Austria will be in the next row Sunday.

Behind them will be the Alfa Romeo of Italian Andrea de Cesaris and the Brabham of the rei-

gning World Champion, Nelson Piquet of Brazil.

A number of drivers decided to skip the timed practice Saturday and stood by the consistantly fast times from Friday, when no fewer than 21 cars bettered the former practice lap record.

Patrick Tambay of France, driving for Ferrari, sat out the round to nurse a painful neck and will start from the 10th position.

This will be the first Swiss Grand Prix in 2S years to count for the World Driving Championship, which at least a half dozen drivers could win in the remaining threeraces of the season.

U.S. defeats Australia, qualifies for basketball final against Soviets

CALI, Colombia (R) — The United States qualified to meet the robin, also has 11 points. Soviet Union in the final of the World Basketball Championship by defeating Australia 110-86 here Friday night.

The U.S. squad led 49-37 at hal-

Friday night's victory gave the Americans 11 points with a record of five wins and one loss in the seven-nation round-robin toumament. The Soviet Union, which had already clinched a place in the final before losing to the U.S.

The Australians held out for the first 10 minutes of the game, but after that the Americans dom-

inated play. American coach Bob Weltich said two games in 24 hours would not affect the fitness of his team

Saturday against the Soviets. We are in very good condition and today we made an effort only in the first 10 minutes," he said. Australian coach Lindsay Gaze

nce than the Soviets to capture the title, now held by Yugoslavia.

ecially in the second half.

Canada easily defeated Col-ombia 107-79 Friday night afterleading 53-38 at halftime in their last game in the round-robin finals of the men's World Basketball said his team had been tiring in the Championship.

last games, which was evident Fri- 1/2 = 2

day against the Americans, exp-

He admitted however that the American team was far superior

and that they stood a better cha-



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abandoned due to bad weather CRANS-SUR-SIERRE, Swi- having to complete their second tzerland (R) - The third round of rounds following a stoppage for the Swiss Open Golf Cha-

bad light Friday night. Only two players finished their third rounds Saturday, Britons mpionship was abandoned Saturday when dense cloud reduced visibility to a few yards in Crans-John Hay and amateur Craig Frasur-Sierre, 5,000 feet up in the ncis Carding 72's for 218 totals

> Gary Player of South Africa in the match behind was one under par after 17 holes, having returned to the course at 7.30 this morning to complete his second round.

He had marked his ball after driving the 17th and holed a 35 foot putt for a birdie three to complete a 72 for 146.

That left him 10 strokes behind the leader Ian Woosnam of Britain, who is eight under par-

Earlier Player had settled his differences with Spanish partner Antonio Garrido with a handshake. The pair were involved in a heated exchange after Friday's stoppage when Player stopped and Garrido played on. The Spaniard completed a 69 for a six below par 138 total.

for his 6th successive cycle title beat arch rival and 1980 champion LEICESTER, England (R) -

Japan's Nakano begins challenge

Millionaire sprint king Koichi Nakano of Japan began his challenge for his sixth successive professional speed title with an easy victory over David de Grys of Britain at the World Cycling Championships Saturday.

Nakano, 26, who has made a fortune from the gambling sport of Keirin racing in Japan, emphatically beat le Grys in a rerun opening round of the classic track event.

Le Grys punctured first time out, then broke for home early in the last lap of the repeat heat. Nakano sponeo ine danger qui ckly and promptly closed the gap before sweeping around the outside of the struggling British rider over the last 200 metres.

Keirin champion Gordon Singleton of Canada, beaten by Nakano in last year's final in Czechoslovakia, also swept into the quarter-final by outclassing And-

rew Hayes of Britain. Holder Alain Bondue of France

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Tony Doyle of Britain in the professional pursuit qualifying competition.

Both men reached the quarterfinal but Londoner Doyle, Britain's biggest hope for a medal, finished more than four seconds adrift of Bondue, who clocked a track record five minutes 55,34

Former amateur pursuit medallist Maurizio Bidinost of Italy was the only other rider inside six minutes for the 5,000 metres test.

Bondue now faces Swiss Robert Dill-Bundi in Saturday night's head-to-head quarter-final, while Doyle, who missed last year's championships because of injury. clashes with Italian Pierancelo Bincoletto.

American Eric Heiden, winner of five speed skating gold medals at the 1980 winter Olympics, withdrew from the event in order to concentrate on next Sunday's professional road race at Goodwood.

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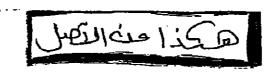
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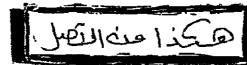
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European finance ministers to meet in Denmark to review economic prospects

HORNBAEK, Denmark (R) — European Community finance ministers meet here this weekend to review prospects for economic The The recovery, encouraged by recent falls in the cost of money but still worried by Europe's slow emen bulling

rgence from recession. In two days of private talks starting Sunday, the ministers plan to prepare a common stance on economic and monetary policies ahead of the International Monahead of the income meeting etary Fund (IMF) annual meeting in early September, European officials said. monetary officials said.

They said the ministers were also likely to discuss strains in the Community's joint currency float, the European Monetary System (EMS), centred on renewed speculation against the French franc.

One senior official said French Finance Minister Jacques Delors may ask for a huge Community loan to help cover France's balance of payments deficit and support the franc on foreign exc-

hanges. Mr. Delors said after a dev-

volume of shares traded.

million area.

volume in the past two weeks.

Thursday's record volume of 137.33 million.

passing last week's record of 455.14.

rather than by a full point, analysts said.

were "in various stages of dishevelment."

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rganisation under the bankruptcy code on Thursday.

New York Stock

NEW YORK (R) - The New York Stock Exchange cooled off on

Friday at the end of a week that shattered all trading records in its

192-year history, including the previous week's all-time high for the

Share prices closed lower and the pace of trading slackened.

Stock analysts said this did not signal a psychological shift in the

The Dow Jones industrial average, at its lowest level in 27 months

"There has been a fundamental turn in psychology," said Hil-

Monday things pick up, volume will also pick up, possibly to the 100

A relatively low 74.1 million shares were traded Friday after

But every other day this week volume had exceeded 100 million

shares and the week's total was 549.9 million shares, easily sur-

Declining interest rates, accompanied by hopes that the economy

would begin improving in the autumn, sparked the market's rally last

profit-taking and concern that interest rates may have levelled off.

the discount rate it charges to banks by only half a point on Thursday,

But Robert Stovall of Dean Witter Reynolds noted the drop in

One of them, International Harvester, expects to lose \$900 million

By Vinson

for this year, and another, Manville Corporation, filed for reo-

prices was somewhat misleading because 10 per cent of the stocks

used to calculate the Dow, the most widely used market average,

so disappointment that the U.S

Analysts attributed Friday's lower prices and quieter trading to

just 16 days ago, had soared 115.49 points by this Thursday. By

aluation of the franc in June he might seek up to two billion dollars from the Community's balance of payments fund but no

formal request has yet been made. A slump in the value of the franc over the past two weeks has prompted market speculation -- firmly denied by the Paris government -- that France could be

forced to withdraw from the EMS. The officials said that despite lengthening dole queues, the ministers were likely to reject any shift towards expansionary policies to boost recovery.

Instead, a speech to be given to the IMF by Danish Economy Minister Ivar Noergaard was likely to stress that sustained growth depended on strict monetary policies and would call for stringent limits on public spending, the officials

Mr. Noergaard will address the IMF meeting in Ottawa on behalf of the Community, Denmark being the current president of its council of ministers.

West German Chancellor Hel-

mut Schmidt Faiday wrote to Pre- further sharp falls this year but inssident Reagan congratulating him on helping to bring down interest rates by cutting the U.S. budget deficit.

But the officials said governments were anxious that the downward trend in U.S. rates was maintained so that Europe's fragile recovery was not jeopardised.

Belgian Finance Minister Willy De Clercq told journalists travelling to the meeting from Brussels that the Community still thought the cost of borrowing was too

He said he saw little prospect of

U.S. grants \$700,000 to Caribbean private group

BRIDGETOWN (R) - The United States has given the Caribbean's leading grouping of private sector associations \$700,000 to help create more jobs in the region.

The Barbados-based Caribbean Association of Industry and Commerce (CAIC) signed the grant agreement with the American Ambassador for the Eastern Caribbean, Milan Bish, Friday.

Mr. Bish said the grant would enable CAIC to undertake a wide range of training technical assistance, and econoic development act-

CAIC would provide training courses teaching small business development and production skills, he said, and in the field of technical assistance, aid funds would provide consultant services for manufacturers, sponsor technical workshops for exporters, and establish a service giving information to members on investment and export

Mr. Bish linked the grant with the objectives of Washington's Caribbean Basin Initiative (CBI), a trade, aid and investment plan

World recession affects Australian economy mildly

By Michael Thompson-Noel

SYDNEY — To the outside world, the Australian economy is: enviably well-placed-- anchored. as it is, by enormous natural wealth. But to Australians themselves, the whiff of recession that has temporarily touched their land has taken on the threat of an asphixiating cloud.

To outsiders -- be they emissaries from U.S. banks. buyers. Exchange cools down from Japan or missionaries from Europe come to teach the heathen -- the most striking feature of the Australian economy is its fundamental wealth. Last year. Australia's minerals output achieved yet another record ex- the December quarter, points to mine value, estimated in Canberra to have been about AS7.7 billion (\$7.67 billion).

In the longer term, it is estimated that its minerals resources will produce cumulative benefits to the Australian balance of payments, between now and the end of the century, or more than AS100 billion in 1980 prices - on top of which the economy is reasonably well-diversified and the population relatively small.

The world recession has, however, temporarily caught up with Australia, producing strains in the economy and corporate disexperiencing record interest rates. an unemployment rate of almost 7 per cent, rising real wages, a slump deteriorating balance of trade. And last week for the first time the Australian dollar was worth less than its U.S. counterpart.

By international standards, the ills in the company are not profound, nor the remedies hopelessly out of reach. Yet in the "boom to bust" vocabulary of Australian political debate, it is the ultra short-term that dominates - which is why the Liberal government of Mr. Malcolm Fraser, the prime minister, has taken such a mauling recently.

For all his considerable political skills, Mr. Fraser has yet to articulate, to the satisfaction of ordinary Australians, the notion of fat and

Part of the trouble, from the government's point of view, has

tead expected rates to stabilise

around or slightly below present

Mr. De Clercq said the finance

ministers would also be discussing

progress in Transatlantic talks

about intervention to smooth out

the most violent fluctuations on

But he said there was little or no

indication as yet that the U.S.

would accede to European dem-

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been the compression of bad news into a relatively short time-scale. In the federal budget last August. the growth in real gross non-farm product was forecast to slow to 3 to 3.5 per cent, though tight monetary policy and a reduction in the budget deficit were expected to encourage the inflow of enough foreign capital to offset

a large current account deficit. Things have not worked out so well. In the March 1982 quarter. non-farm gross domestic product fell by 0.3 per cent which, together with a revised fall of 0.7 per cent in an estimated growth rate for 1981-82 of around 1.8 per cent.

In the view of Mr. John Howard, the federal treasurer, the latest growth figures were "disappointing but not entirely unexpected." He pointed to the protracted recession in world trade. the most damaging aspect of which, from Australia's point of view, has been the sharp and continuing fall in commodity prices. Crucially, he stressed that there

were home-grown factors too: the marked erosion of business profits and a rising surge of imports testifying that domestic wage costs content. The country is currently had outstripped what the economy could afford. On most counts, figures for the

June quarter will show a further in company profits, an inflation downturn in production, resulting rate of 10.4 per cent, a fall in in three consecutive quarters of international competitiveness and negative growth, something not seen in Australia for 20 years Although growth in 1980-81 had been relatively strong, there

has been a significant turnaround in the balance of trade. For 1981-82 as a whole, the deficit on current account was AS9.1 billion. well above the budget estimate of A\$6.75 billion, and equivalent to about 6 per cent of gross national product. Figures announced recently showed that Australia's trade deficit had soared to A\$3.4 billion in the year to June 31 1982. Imports had surged by 17 per cent. to A\$22.5 billion, but exports had stayed sluggish, rising by only 1 per cent A\$19.1 billion.

Admittedly, the bigger deficit

has been covered by a largerthan-expected capital inflow. which in 1981-82 totalled AS10.5 billion, much of it lured in by high domestic interest rates. On the other hand, this inflow of funds -much of it "hot money" -- is admitted by the government to have caused problems for money supply, and for the control of infla-

So long as part of the inflow is boosting productive investment, it should enhance longer-term export and growth prospects. But the current account deficit for 1982-83 is likely to remain high, and dependence on capital inflow is stifling initiative on domestic policy. Moreover, until the balance of trade improves, Australian interest rates are likely to remain high relative to rates overseas.

For a country on which the sun almost always seems to shine, some of the short -- and mediumterm pointers are disconcerting. Fro example, it is generally expected that inflation will remain high by world standards, that unemployment will grow (reaching 8 per cent in 1983-84), and that in 1982-83 there will be significant reductions in private gross fixed capital expenditure.

Real consumer expenditure should rise, however, and nonfarm products could expand by 2 per cent in 1982-83.

In a report earlier this year, the OECD said that the country's current macro-economic stance seemed the only possible way to try to contain inflation in the short term. Changes would be needed on the two key fronts: protectionism and wage deter-

The signs are not promising. Among OECD economies, fortress Australia has one of the most highly protected and comparatively less efficient manufacturing sectors. Although the government ocaasionally makes the right sort of noises, it is opposed by, and usually succumbs to, industry's lobbying. Only recently seven major industry organisations warned Canberra that any move towards cutting import protection would immediately cause higher unemployment and lower GDP.

The lobbying worked, for

recently the government announced a major new aid package for manufacturing industry. including accelerated depreciation allowances. It also brushed aside calls for tariff reductions and lowe levels of industrial protection. This incensed the farmers. who still perfor n heroically on the export front, and whose current prosperity is jeopardised by drought as well as by sluggish farm prices.

On the wage front. Australian unions are still awarding themselves wage increases that are higher than inflation. In the March 1982 quarter, average male weekly earnings rose by A\$15.30. or 5.1 per cent, to A\$314.60, following a succession of catch-up" demands after wage indexation was abandoned last August. In broad terms, the gov-

ernment's room for manoeuvre in its handling of the economy seems genuinely limited, though its own back-benchers have called for major income tax cuts in this month's budget, to be offset by higher indirect taxation, cuts in welfare and lower government spending.

As for the Australian Labour Party, it favours a prices and incomes policy, greater worker ownership, and greater Australian equity in industry and mining though the fine print of its policy has been smudged in recent weeks by party wragling and by uncer-tainties over the leadership. Whatever the bickering in Can-

berra, nothing, in the longer term, can detract from the country's enormous natural wealth. Until 20 years ago, the Australian minerals industry was based on lead, zinc. copper, silver, gold and coal but. in addition, it is now an important producer of Iron ore. bauxite. nickel, mineral sands, tin and uranium. Although they seem beset by short-term problems, Australia and her economy enjoy a position of the utmost privilege something Australians tend to

- Financial Times news feature

FORECAST FOR SUNDAY, AUG. 29, 1982

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: A day to show that you are thoughtful and considerate of others by truly living the Golden Rule. Also, a day to study and put into effect a course of action that will provide more abundance.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Close ties understand youraims better now and will do their utmost to help you gain them. Strive to gain personal goals.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Visit persons and make a great impression because of your special charm which is dynamic now. Show more devotion to loved one.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Get in touch with persons who can give you the data you need now. Show that you are a go-getter. Be alert to change.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Your intuition

is working well now, so plan a campaign that will bring you the results you desire.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Discussing the future with a close tie will bring the results you want. Be more thoughtful of family members. VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) A good day to do

something nice for those who have supported you in the past. Express creative ideas. LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Make plans to engage in ac-

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press others at this time. AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) The social side of life can be very enjoyable today. Improve your appearance.

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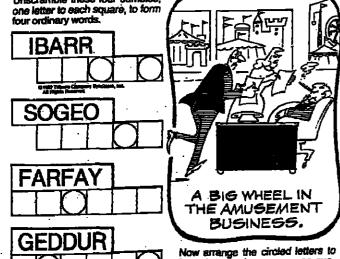
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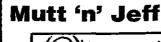








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Timing of polls upsets Spaniards

MADRID (R) - A major row erupted in Spain Saturday over the date set for the next general elections, which are to be held just six days after an October visit by the Pope.

There were calls for postponement of the papal tour which the left said would be exploited by conservatives in this traditionally Catholic nation to thwart a Socialist victory.

Pope John Paul's visit to Spain from October 14 to 22 will take place at the height of the official three-week election campaign for a new Cortes (parliament).

Prime Minister Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo announced the polling day, October 28, Friday night. He decided to dissolve the Cortes, before the expiry of its mandate next March, to prepent further dis-integration of the ruling Centrist Party.

The Union of the Democratic Centre (UCD) has governed Spain since elections in 1977, the first free vote following the death of dictator Francisco Franco.

But the party has been weakened by a series of defections and four consecutive electoral routs in the regions.

Informed sources said the threat of ministerial resignations and further defections, which would have left the UCD with no working majority in the Cortes, forced Mr. Calvo Sotelo to decide on, early elections.

Suarez's challenge

Apart from seeking to avoid a humiliating defeat in the Cortes, Mr. Caivo Sotelo also apparently decided that by going to the country early he could minimise the electoral challenge of a new Con-trist Party led by former Prime Minister Adolfo Suarez.

Mr. Suarez, architect of Spain's transition from dictatorship to democracy and one of the country's most popular politicians. broke from the UCD in July to set up a group known as the Democratic and Social Centre.

Opinion polls predict the Socialists will benefit from the divisions in the centre and emerge election winners to form. Spain's first left-wing government since the 1936-39 Civil War.

In the last elections in 1979, the Socialists polled 30 per cent of the vote and the UCD 35 per cent. Latest predictions give the Soc'ialists up to 40 per cent with the UCD and conservative popular alliance both taking around 10 per

Saturday, one Barcelona newspaper welcomed the elections with a front-page headline: "The Socialist era is born."

But many commentators, with some 16 parties competing and two months before polling, were more equivocal. Much attention was focussed on the papal trip.

The Communist and Socialist parties and their affiliated trade union movements criticised the government for staging the election campaign during the Pope's

Mr. Suarez said he did think the papal visit was appropriate during

The communists called outright for the Pope to put off his visit and the popular newspaper Diario 16 said it would be more than opportune for the government to negotiate a postponement.

The influential Madrid daily El Pais said church dignitaries and believers themselves might be upset by seeing the Pope in the midst of election posters and banUnresolved issues

The dissolution of the Cortes six months early means several legislative issues remain unresolved.

The most important of these is next year's budget. Since a new budget will not be passed, by law the present one will simply be extended until the new parliament is established.

Autonomy statutes for four regions are also left pending, a fact which has brought swift criticism from leaders of those regions.

In addition, October's elections will have to be regulated by a 1977 electoral law which the Cortes had hoped to update.

The law, established to run the country's first free elections. makes it illegal for ministers to run for office. This means it is very likely that several current ministers will resign so as to present themselves as candidates in Oct-

Well-informed sources said Mr. Calvo Sotelo would probably meet his cabinet again next week to discuss procedures for having caretaker ministers until the ele-

Soviet woman cosmonaut eager to go up again

MOSCOW (R) — The world's second woman cosmonaut has made a soft landing back on earth and says she will be happy to go up into space again if she gets the chance.

Svetlana Savitskaya, a 34year-old test pilot who spent a week orbiting the earth with four male cosmonauts aboard the Salyut-7 station, looked tired and hot but fully fit when she pulled off her space helmet

She told Soviet television: "I would have loved to work there longer."

Soviet scientists are hoping that her missions will provide data on how the female organism adapts

BRASILIA (R) - Brazil's inf-

luential Roman Catholic Church

has appealed for the country's ele-

ctions in November to be the start

of a national reconciliation but

also warned against electoral abu-

A document issued after a

three-day meeting of the National

Bishops' Conference (CNBB) in

Brasilia said the road to the ele-

ctions had been long and fraught

with obstacies but the desired nat-

ional reconciliation must go bey-

"There will be no authentic rec-

onciliation unless it is based on

justice," the statement said. "The

result from the ballot-boxes will

not be consolidated without the

struggle against social injustice.

which is not only a cause of vio-

lence but the most perverse force

of violence, endangering dem-

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ond the polls.

Brazilian church sees polls as

1st step toward national unity

to weightlessness

The Soyuz T-5 capsule bearing Miss Savitskaya, mission commander Col. Leonid Popov and engineer Alexander Serebrov undocked earlier Friday from the Salyut-7, leaving aboard cosmonauts Anatoly Berezovoy and Valentin Lebedev.

According to Izvestia newspaper. Berezovoy and Lebedev plotted to keep Miss Savitskaya on board and jokingly told mission control they were going to refuse to let her leave the station.

"Svetlana no doubt would have happily stayed, but the scheduled programme is the scheduled programme," Izvestia said.

The November 15 elections, for

congress, the 23 state governors,

state assemblies and municipal

officials, are the most far-reaching

in Brazil since a military coup in

1964 and are a key stage in the

government's liberalisation pro-

The CNBB, which has a long

history of campaigning to close the

gap between Brazil's rich elite

and the mass of the people, said

that despite doubts about abuses

of power it was putting its faith in

the mobilisation of the state mac-

hinery and of economic power for

It is not difficult to perceive

When the capsule landed at 1504 GMT it was already after 10 p.m. local time and the touchdown site in a darkened grain field on the steppes of Kazakhstan was lit by headlights.

Popov, Serebrov and Miss Savitskaya emerged to bouquets of flowers from local dignitaries and cheers from a crowd of farm wor-

Miss Savitskaya and Serebrov have been awarded the title of hero of the Soviet Union, which Popov already holds twice over for his previous space missions.

Quite a change Izvestia quoted deputy mission controller V. Blagov as saying Miss Savitskaya coped splendidly with her role in space: "We made no concessions to the 'weaker sex' at all, she worked like an ordinary cosmonaut and managed the load,

which shows that women are quite

capable of working in space on an

equal basis with men.

"But it turns out that the presence of a woman in the crew immediately changes the psychological atmosphere, making it much more cheerful, more intellectual, and the work of the whole crew goes that much eas-

dismissed an Indian protest against the formal opening of a road linking Pakistan and China along highway, an 800-kilometre road the ancient Silk Route though the from Xinjiang province in the ext-

mally opened the road at a ceremony at the 4,500-metre Khunierah Pass.

protests because the road runs through northern Kashmir, disputed by India and Pakistan. A Chinese foreign ministry spokesman said Saturday: "China

and Pakistan have built the higand have opened the pass on their border to conduct border trade.

These are normal affairs between the two neighbouring coufor the dispute of Kashmir, it is a 1962.

reme west of China to Pakistan. It took 20 years to build and claimed the lives of hundreds of Chinese and Pakistani workers

1978 but until this week, when private travellers were allowed on it for the first time, was used only by special truck caravans several times a year.

Khunjerab Pass is in northern Kashmir which is under Pakistani hway linking the two countries control. Pakistan controls onethird of the state and India twothirds. They have fought three wars over it since 1947.

Peking Hernu

PEKING (R) - A spokesman for the Chinese foreign ministry said Saturday it had not heard of a French military delegation being in Peking at present to discuss the possible sale of Mirage combat

French Defence Minister Charies Hernu, asked by Reuters on Wednesday if France was ready to sell the Mirage 2000 to China, said: "Yes, I received the Chinese chief of staff last year and the French chief of staff was in Peking rec-

planes to China.

"At present there is a French delegation having talks there with the Chinese military authorities."

But later the French defence minister said: "No declaration has been made either by the minister of defence or by the ministry of defence on an eventual sale of aircraft to China. Such information is fan-

On the question of whether a French military delegation was in Peking, the Chinese spokesman said Saturday: "We didn't hear of any such French delegation in Peking at the moment."

French diplomats expressed surprise at the idea that such talks might be currently going on in the Chinese capital.

One senior diplomat said there was no military delegation here at present and none was expected in the near future.

The only French visitors in Peking were members of a parliamentary delegation led by national assembly president Louis Mermaz, he said.

Communist Party Chairman Hu Yaobang set off speculation about a possible sale when he told visiting French journalists last Monday that China would like to buy Mirages and produce them in cooperation with France.

U.S. general draws on air combat lessons

air force chief of staff. Gen. Charles Gabriel, said American-built fighter planes might have more difficulty battling Soviet aircraft in a European war than they did in the just-concluded Lebanese war. He noted that Israeli airmen

"But you have got to guard aga-

inst drawing the wrong lesson," he said. "You have a different situation in the Middle East than you have in Central Europe." Gen. Gabriel told a news con-

|Soviet hunger striker|| contradicts said to be depressed

FBI's bizarre plan works

husband would keep trying to grammer. leave the Soviet Union although she described him as depressed and desperate after two long hunger strikes this year.

Mrs. Balovlenkov, a Baltimore nurse, arrived from Moscow after a three-week stay during which she tricked her husband Yuri Balovlenkov into abandoning a 36-day fast by pretending he had been cleared to leave the Soviet Union by immigration officials.

She said Mr. Balovlenkov was

distressed when he learned that his exit visa had in fact been denied, and he was angry that it could be 1985 or later before he was allowed to leave and join her and their two-year-old daughter Kat-

"He's angry, he's tired and he wants to come home," she said. "I pleaded with Yuri to be patient."

Soviet authorities have refused to allow Mr. Balovlenkov to leave on the grounds that state security

NEW YORK (R) - Three men

were convicted on racketeering

charges Friday night after a five-

week trial in which the main pro-

secution witness was an und-

ercover federal agent who spied

on organised crime figures for six

associated with the Joe Bonnano

crime family that dominates part

of New York City and has links

The jury found a fourth def-

endant guilty of distributing and

possession of the sedative drug

The government's case had

quaaludes. A fifth man was found

been based largely on an ope-

ration by Joseph Pistone, a 43-

year-old Federal Bureau of Inv-

estigation (FBI) agent who used

the alias "Donnie Brasco."

along the East Coast.

innocent of all charges.

During the trial, the three were

BALTIMORE (R) - Elena Bal- is involved, a reference to his forovlenkos Saturday vowed her mer job as a computer pro-

Mr. Balovlenkov, who ended his 36-day hunger strike on Aug. 9, told Western reporters in Moscow Friday that he was still suffering from loss of memory and inability to concentrate and some of his hair was falling out.

Mr. Balovlenkov said that he had not promised his wife he would never hold another hunger strike again but added: "I will wait long as I can."

Mrs. Balovlenkov said Soviet officials warned her about talking to the American press in a continuation of her campaign get a visa for her husband, saying that "they want to make sure the world knows that a hunger strike is not the way to get out of the Soviet

She said she had no guarantee on a final date when Mr. Balovlenkov could leave but a "gentlemen's agreement" on the year 1985 had been discussed.

According to the FBI, he was

able to infiltrate the Bonnano fam-

ily and get closer to its members

than any other undercover agent

The three found guilty of rac-

keteering were Benjamin "Lefty"

Ruggiero, Nicholas Santora and

Antonio "Boots" Tomasulo. They

could be sentenced to as much as

Anthony Rabito (Mr. Fish)

vas convicted of distribution and

possession of quaaludes, and

could be sentenced to a maximum

they would appeal the verdicts.

Lawyers for the four men said

John Cerasani was acquitted on

The five had been charged in a

conspiracy that involved murder,

robbery, gambling and drugs.

20 years in prison.

15 years in prison.

all charges.

NATO announces Carbine Fortress 82

NEWS

BRIEF

Israeli pilot speaks

on Palestinian views

TEL AVIV (R) — Israeli air force

pilot Aharon Ahiaz, who was hold

prisoner for 75 days by the Par

estine Liberation Organisation (PLO) in Beirut, said here Friday

night most of the commandos he

met were convinced idealists, "I

think we have been dealing with

individuals and individual acts rather than with the PLO as a

whole," he said. "! think that was

wrong. We always related to ter-

rorism instead of to the end aims

of the organisation. The problem

is not a question of terrorism, but

the PLO's end aims. I still don't

know the answer to the problem."

CASTEAU, Belgium (R) - The NATO military command Saturday announced what will be the biggest exercise of its autumn war games, a manocuvre involving 70,000 troops in West Germany. The aim of the 10-day exercise. dubbed "Carbine Fortress 82" and taking place around Wurzburg, central Germany, is to increase flexibility in the deployment of the central army group forces.

Missing Soviet scientist applies for political asylum

BRASILIA (R) — A Soviet pol-itical scientist missing in Rio de Janeiro since August 14 has applied for political asylum in the United States, the foreign ministry said. It said Sevim Gueraibekovi; 32, who disappeared from a Soviet party which had attended a political science congress in Rio de Janeiro, had left the country. -

Peruvian policeman killed by guerrillas

LIMA (R) — A policeman has died in hospital after being ambushed by suspected leftist gue-Peru's troubles theastern city of Ayacucho, police said Friday. Civil Guard Eduarde Camargo Cieza was the seventh policeman killed this week by guemillas in the region which has been under a state of emergency for almost two months.

Soviet official gets death sentence

MOSCOW (R) - The head accountant on a Soviet state farm in the Soviet Central Asian republic of Kirghizia has been sentenced to be shot for extortion and bribery, the Communist Party daily Pravda reported Saturday. A long article in the newspaper called for a crackdown on corruption and detailed instances of Communist Party members taking bribes. Pravda added that a collective fame engineer. V. Shcherbina, had been jailed for 14 years for receiving bribes totalling some 57,000 roubles (\$78,000) from construction workers.

Sweden considers curbing racists

STOCKHOLM (R) - Sweden is considering banning clandestine racist organisation after a spate of racial violence, Immigration Minister Karin Andersson has said Extra police are on patrol in Stockholm after street clashes and attacks against immigrant shops. that have caused concern in Sweden, where there is growing youth unemployment. Two weeks 220 2 gang of youths attacked a Turkish kiosk with sticks and crowbars and set up beside it a burning cross, symbol of the American racist Ku

Colombia permits E.German family to leave for Bonn

BOGOTA (R) — Colombia has given an East German electronic. engineer who worked at the East German embassy, his wife and two. children safe conducts to leave the country after he sought asylum in-West Germany, a foreign ministry, spokesman said Saturday. He identified the family as Manfred Januscheck, his wife Ursula and sons Stefan and Cristian. He said Mr. Jantscheck had been in Colombia for 14 months.

China rejects Indian protest at road through the Kashmir

PEKING (R) - Peking Saturday question between India and Pak

China and Pakistan Friday for-. India. however, lodged verbal

party ends, but we prefer to express our hope that a line of action of a social (reform) stamp will prevail, whatever the result from the ballot-boxes", the document

The pass is on the Karakoram

The highway was opened in

China and India have a longnuries and do not involve the que- standing frontier dispute which stion of ownership of Kashmir. As resulted in a brief border war in WASHINGTON (R) -- The U.S.

using U.S.-built F-15 and F-16 fighters destroyed 85 Syrianflown Soviet MiGs in the Lebanese war without loss.

ference the Syrians flew sophisticated Soviet jets but the pilots were not as well trained as Soviet pilots would be in a European war. Moreover, the Syrian MiGs were not armed with the latest Soviet

U.S. congressmen's sex lives LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas (R) — estigation probe into the sex sca-A former congressional page has ndal was winding down and the retracted allegations he had made government was ready to drop the

Former page says he lied about

that Washington congressmen had case. engaged in homosexual relations with teenaged pages and in drug

"I lied. I regret that I have lied," 18-year-old Leroy Williams said at a news conference.

"I knew there were suspicions about these types of activities." he said, explaining he had made up the allegations to focus attention on a reform of the page system. He said he wanted to reveal a

lack of supervision for pages and their long working hours. In Washington, the Justice

Department declined comment on Mr. Williams' retraction of the all-

Department officials had said earlier the Federal Bureau of InvMr. Williams said the pressure

on him caused by his lies was "Eating me up." He said he had even contemplated suicide. The youth is scheduled to testify Saturday before the house sub-

committee on standards and ethics, which began an investigation of the allegations last month. Mr. Williams said at the hour-

long news conference that he had heard rumours of sexual misconduct. He said also: "Words can never

express the remorse that I feel for the pain and trauma that I have His lawyer, Bob Scott, said the vouth could face criminal charges

because of the false allegations.

Argentine generals plan strategic retreat to barracks

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tion can play strange tricks. When South bid five diamonds, he wasn't sure whose hand it was: He was tempted to bid four spades, but realized that he probably wouldn't be able to bandle that contract if the defenders

West led the king of

hearts, and declarer was hap-

py with his dummy. He had a

sure club loser, so all he need-

ed to do for his contract was

hold his combined trump and

forced him with hearts.

a hand for granted. Distribu-

Don't take the outcome of

way to avoid a trump loser was to find a 2-2 break, but spades offered several chances.

Declarer ruffed the heart lead and cashed the king-ace of diamonds. When that suit divided evenly, it seemed that all was well, Fortunately, however, declarer saw that there was one distribution that could cause trouble - if West held four spades to the queen.

To counter that, declarer planned a strip and end play. He ruffed a heart and led the queen of clubs. East won the king and shifted to a spade. Declarer took his king, then completed his groundwork by cashing the jack-ace of clubs and ruffing dummy's last heart. The stage was set

for a safety play. Declarer simply got off lead with a low spade, not caring what happened to that trick. If both defenders followed, the king of spades would draw the opponents' last card in the suit and the jack would be high. If either defender showed out, his partner would win that trick, but would then be forced either to lead a spade into declarer's ace-jack tenance, or yield a ruff-and-sluff, which would allow declarer to discard his spade loser from one hand while ruffing in the other. Making five-odd.

By Robert Powell **BUENOS AIRES** — Argentina's

armed forces have promised to return the country to democracy by March 1984, but a government crisis over economic policy has added to the difficulties of President Reynalod Bignone's transitional administration.

Barely two months after the president was sworn in. Economy Minister Jose Maria Dagnino Pastore and Central Bank President Domingo Cavallo resigned on Tuesday after a cabinet row over how to reactivate Argentina's depressed economy and deal with the country's \$36.5 billion foreign

The resignations were a severe blow to the credibility of President Bignone's government, which faces heavy and conflicting pressures from Argentina's foreign creditors, the armed forces, the trade unions and industrialists. Argentina is striving to cope

ments due on external debts by the end of this year. On the political front the government has to manage with a fragile power base in the armed forces and faces incipient trade union

with \$15 billion of service pay-

Mr. Dagnino Pastore found himself hampered by ministers who resisted his attempts to restrict growth of the domestic economy in order to promote an

export-led economic recovery. The armed forces vetoed his demands for a normalisation of

economic relations with Britain.

The former economy minister

considered both measures vital to restore international confidence in Argentina and enable the country to renegotiate foreign debt payments due this year.

\$2.3 billion of arrears

The resignation of the Central

Bank president was a double blow

for Argentina's international

These include \$2.3 billion of arrears built up during and just after the Falklands (Malvinas) conflict with Britain.

image, but Central Bank sources say Mr. Cavallo stepped down because he felt the government was not doing enough to revive the domestic economy. The two masterminds of government economic strategy resigned two weeks before the annual

meeting of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in Toronto. where Argentina was hoping to improve its image in the international banking community. Government sources admitted

that their departure could not have come at a worse moment. Gen. Bignone was sworn in on July 1 with only army support. The navy and air force withdrew from government after Argentina's humiliating defeat in the Fal-

klandş.

The surrender to the British on June 15 crowned six years of military rule during which the armed forces were unable to solve Argentina's economic and political problems. The generals who ousted President Leopoldo Galtieri after the

defeat decided that it was time for

the military to beat an orderly ret-

reat to their barracks and promised elections and a return to democracy by March 1984.

The armed forces then failed to agree on how the country should be governed in the interim and the ruling junta split up. Army commander Cristino

Nicolaides emerged as the new

strongman, appointing retired army General Bignone as pre-The navy and air force have not openly criticised his administration, but the president can-

not count on their support.

Even the army appears to give less than whole-hearted backing to the political course charted by Gen. Nicolaides. Doubt is widespread among officers about the wisdom of handing

eration of political leaders who were thrown out six years ago. Three basic issues

Many officers are reluctant to see the armed forces relinquish power until three basic issues have been dealt with, according to political sources and local press rep-

The first is a demand for investigation of the armed forces' role in the Falklands conflict to determine who was responsible for the defeat, so that those found guilty may be punished.

The second is a demand for an inquiry into the economic policies of previous military administrations to find out why Argentina's external debt has mushroomed since 1976, while the economy has steadily declined.

Both probes imply serious criticism of senior officers who led Argentina's "process of national reorganisation," after the overthrow of Argentina's last constitutional president, Maria Estela Martinez de Peron, including

many still in power. Many officers also insist on some kind of guarantee that a future civilian government will not investigate methods used by the security forces to crush leftist guerillas in the 1970s.

The seedy past

Thousands of people disappeared during this "dirty war." giving Argentina a black name for human rights worldwide. Politicians from the two main government back to the same genparties, the Peronists and Rad-

> of the disappearances. The Roman Catholic church has also urged that the issue should be adequately cleared up. Despite splits and grumblings

within the armed forces, and reg-

ular rumours of impending coups,

icals, have called for investigation

a united military opposition to President Bignone does not exist. President Bignone's government is also under growing pressure from industry and the trade unions because of the gloomy economic picture on the int-

ernal front. Argentina's Gross National Product (GNP) -- the total of goods and services produced -- fell seven per cent in the first six months of 1982 after a 6.1 per cent drop in 1981.

Unemployment, unofficially estimated at 18 per cent, is at record levels and the value of real wages is less than in 1970. This week's announcement of a

one million peso flat rise on all monthly salaries and the future indexation of wages with Argentina's three-figure inflation rate has failed to satisfy the trade uni-The moderate and hardline wings of the General Con-

federation of Labour (CGT) trade

union movement are both con-

templating strike action for better Last week bus drivers and railwaymen staged a 24-hour strike which halted public transport and politicians fear that a wave of ind-. ustrial unrest could destabilise the

government The political leaders have no particular love for President Bignone or Gen. Nicolaides, but they regard the two men as their best guarantee for a swift return to democracy and are unwilling to rock the boat.

Industrialists and many eco-

nomists fear that the pay rises are

more than the country can afford and will only fuel inflation, currently running at 137 per cent. The employers organisation, the Argentina Industrial Union, had already withdrawn support for a government scheme to con-

tain price rises before Mr. Dag-

nino Pastore resigned. The gloss on President Bignone's new government has cra-cked and initial public enthusiasm at the prospect of an early return to democracy is now overshadowed by the practical difficulties of getting there.



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